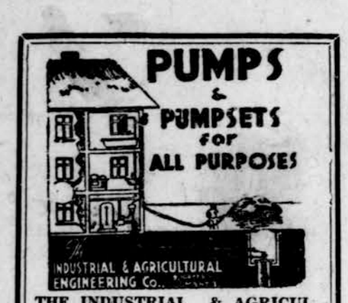

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New Hope For Your Skin

Peace Move In Iran

RIZA SHAH SEES BR. MINISTER IN TEHERAN

LONDON, Aug. 27,

While there is no confirmation in London of report that the Iranian Government may seek a peaceful settlement with Britain and Russia, there is little doubt that the Shah appreciates the formidable nature of the coalition of the forces moving into Iran, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent learns.

Moreover, it is felt that the Iranian Government must by this time be convinced of the justness of the reasons which led Britain and Russia to take action and of the importance which the Allies attach to Iran's position.

The hope was expressed in London to-day that the Shah might see his way to reach a peaceful solution. It is learned that the British Minister in Teheran saw the Shah again to-day.

BREAD RIOTS IN IRANIAN TOWNS!

LONDON, August 27.

It is authoritatively stated in London that the Iranian Government, tempted by favourable credit terms which the Germans offered, has sold for export virtually the whole of the year's grain harvest as well as stocks of tea and sugar with complete disregard of the needs of Iranians.

FOOD RIOTS GALORE

Already there is much destitution. Food riots have taken place in Shiraz, Ispahan, Yezd, Kerman and Hamadan and even in the capital there is serious shortage and discontent is rife. It is estimated that in the oil areas of the south-west existing supplies will suffice for the barest needs of the civil population only until September 15.

WHEAT FOR TROOPS

In view of this lamentable state of affairs orders have been given to the General Officer Commanding the British troops to import at once into the area occupied by the British 650 tons of wheat from Iraq. This represents something like one month's supply and will meet the initial requirements.

It will in due course be supplemented by further consignments from India.—Reuter.

INDO-IRANIAN BORDER SAFE

QUETTA, August 27.

Lt.-Gen. E. F. Norton, Commander, headquarters Western (independent) District, Baluchistan, in an interview with Reuter's Special Correspondent in Quetta expressed satisfaction at the arrangements for the protection of India from foreign aggression and endorsed Sir Archibald Wavell's recent statements that this country would be firmly defended.

Speaking of the territory under his command which extends from Karachi to the border of the N. W. F. P. and includes Baluchistan on the Indo-Russian border, Gen. Norton said that the defences were strong and invulnerable. He revealed that conditions on either side of the Indo-Iranian border were perfectly peaceful.—A. P.

Anglo-Soviet Advance Continues

SIMLA, August 27.

"The advance of British and Indian troops is continuing methodically in south-western and western Iran," says a communique.

Indian troops cleared the Abadan area of Iranian forces in the vicinity of the oil installations. Two guns, three armoured cars, and 350 prisoners were captured. Madrid was also occupied.

All is quiet at Bandar Shahpur.

In the Khanaqin sector British and Indian troops occupied Glion after light opposition and gunfire while another column advanced beyond Sar-i-Pul towards the fortified Paytak Pass.

The R.A.F. continued to support our forward troops and also dropped leaflets over various towns.

In operations against the Iranian air force, to date, at least six Iranian aircraft have been destroyed and several damaged, all our aircraft returning safely.—A. P.

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Four-Power Front Against Japan

STAGE SET FOR FINAL FAR EAST "SHOW-DOWN"

Warning To Tokyo

CHUNGKING, August 27.

The latest Pacific developments were discussed at length during yesterday's meeting of the Chinese Cabinet, says an official announcement here to-day.

Mr. Churchill's broadcast clearly indicated that the Pacific area is now on the eve of momentous decision for peace or war, declared the influential "Fa Kung Pao".

Urging the Chinese people to rise to meet the new situation, it says:

A united front against Japan on the part of Britain, United States, Soviet Russia and China—undreamed of four years agonow is becming a fact.

The Emperor of Japan to-day received Prince Konoye, the Prime Minister, and later Admiral Toyoda, the Foreign Minister, says Tokio message.

AMERICAN SUPPLIES TO SOVIET

Cordell Hull On Japanese Threat

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.

Mr. Cordell Hull at a Press Conference made plain that the United States adhered to the freedom of the seas policy in connection with the shipment of war supplies to Russia through the Pacific.

Asked whether the United States would insist on the freedom of the seas in the carrying out of shipments despite Japanese objections, Mr. Cordell Hull replied that until that policy is revoked it is assumable that it is in effect.

As regards the possibility of Japan formally making representations to the United States concerning shipments to Vladivostok, Mr. Hull said that he would leave any statement there anent at present to the Foreign Office at Tokyo.—

Tokio Ambassador Meets Hull

The Japanese Ambassador Admiral Nomura is visiting Mr. Cordell Hull today. The purpose is not disclosed.—Reuter.

NO JAPANESE REPRESENTATION

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.

Official circles here disclaimed knowledge of any formal Japanese representations concerning American shipments of war supplies to Soviet Russia by way of Vladivostok. Official quarters indicate that if there has been any discussions of this nature they arose only from informal Japanese inquiries.—Reuter.

JAPANESE PROTEST

TOKYO, August 27.

According to the Domei Agency the Japanese Government have protested to the United States and the Soviet Government against shipment of petrol.—

SOVIET WARNS JAPAN

MOSCOW, Aug. 27.

The Soviet Government has told Japan that it would regard any attempt to hinder trade with the United States via Far Eastern Soviet ports as an act inimical to the Soviet Union.

A radio statement says, "The official soviet news agency announces that on August 25, the Japanese Ambassador Lieutenant General Tatekawa made a statement to the Soviet Commissar for Foreign Affairs M. Molotov to the effect that shipment by the United States to Vladivostok of goods purchased by the Soviet Union such as oil and petrol is creating an extremely delicate and difficult situation for Japan because these goods have to pass in proximity of Japanese territory. In view of this fact, the Japanese Government requested the Soviet Government to elucidate the question of routes and method of transport of the said shipments. M. Molotov told the Japanese Am-

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DOMINIONS APPROVE 'ATLANTIC CHARTER'

LONDON, August 27.

All Dominion Governments were kept informed of the progress of the talks between President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill, which took place somewhere in the Atlantic and led to the formulation of what is now known as the Atlantic Charter, states Reuter's Lobby Correspondent. Whole-hearted approval has been expressed by all Dominion Governments to the British Government at the terms and aims of the Charter.—Reuter.

Reds Counter-Attack In Lower Dnieper

Nazis Claim Capture Of Railway Junction On Riga-Moscow Road And Barislav In Ukraine

VICHY, August 27.

According to a Budapest message to the Vichy News Agency to-night, Russian troops launched counter-attacks "with all their available forces" on the lower Dnieper river battle front. The Hungarians claim that so far all have been repulsed.—Reuter.

NAZIS CLAIM CAPTURE OF BERISLAV

LONDON, August 27.

The Official German News Agency to-day claims the capture of another Russian town on the west bank of Dnieper. This town is Berislav, 125 miles east of Odessa.

The Germans admit that the town was heavily mined and that every house had to be taken after severe hand to hand fighting.—Reuter.

Nazi Transport Torpedoed

A midday 'communique' issued by the Soviet Information Bureau and broadcast by the Moscow radio at 11.00 G.M.T. states: "During the night of 26th August our troops fought the enemy along the whole front".

A Soviet submarine has sunk two enemy transports in the past few days, states a supplement to the Soviet midday 'communique'. On one occasion it entered "an important enemy port" and torpedoed a transport of 5,000 tons.

Stubborn Fighting Along Entire Front

MOSCOW, August 26.

Following is the text of the Soviet midnight 'communique' issued by the Soviet Information Bureau:

"During August 26 our troops stubbornly fought the enemy along the whole front.

"According to precise data now available, in the course of August 24, 63 German planes were destroyed, not 46 as previously reported.

During August 25, 93 German planes were destroyed. We lost 18 planes.

During the last two days Soviet airmen, guarding the approaches to Leningrad brought down in air combat and destroyed on aerodromes 101 Fascist aircraft."—Reuter.

Position Disquieting

A German 'communique' claims the capture of railway junction Velikiye Luki north-east of Nevel in Pskoff Region.

With no definite news of the results of Russian counter-attacks in Gomel Area, the position is regarded in authoritative quarters in London, as disquieting. The German claim that their advance is progressing, is so far not contradicted from the Russian side.

Pending a decision in this battle, it is difficult to say what will happen to the Russian Forces in the Gomel-Kieff Salient. If the German thrust succeeds, the Salient will be in grave danger of being cut off. On the other hand, if the Russian counter-attack is successful, Germans will be faced with a task much more difficult in the south.

Railway Junction Captured

In a special 'communique' giving details concerning the reported capture of the important railway junction town of Velikiye-Luki from the Russians, the German High Command says: "The battle between Smolensk and Lake Ilmen lasted several days. The Twenty-second Soviet Army was encircled and annihilated east of Velikiye-Luki only after the most violent fighting. Over 30,000 prisoners and 400 guns fell into our hands". It adds that the

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NO AUSSIES IN IRAN

CANBERRA, August 27.

In the House of Representatives Mr. Menzies stated that the Commonwealth had no information to suggest that Australian forces were being used in Iran. There was every reason to believe that none was being used. Before any Australian troops could be used in a new theatre of war the Commonwealth Government must be consulted.—Reuter.

AUSTRALIAN PREMIER'S 'NO' TO LABOUR DEMAND

CANBERRA, August 27.

Following a meeting of the parties supporting the Government, Mr. Menzies sent a letter to Mr. Curtin confirming his decision to reject Labour's demand that the Government should resign and make way for a Labour administration.—Reuter.

Menzies' Letter

CANBERRA, Aug. 27.

The next move is awaited from Labour who will probably meet this afternoon. A strong section is pressing for a no-confidence motion.

Mr. Menzies' letter read as follows: "No good purposes will be served by my detailed dealing with your letter because almost every paragraph is controversial, but I see no value in carrying on a controversy by correspondence. I point out that the United Australia Party has 26 members in the House of Representatives giving a Ministerial strength of 37 against Labour's 36. It is our view that political stability can be secured only by an all party administration. But surely, it is clear that under the system of Party administration to which your party has now finally adhered, more stability is procurable by 37 members than by 36. It is, therefore, not proposed to accentuate the political uncertainties from which this unhappy country is suffering by handing over the Government to Labour.

The Labour Party caucus has met and decided to call a full party meeting at 19-15 to discuss Mr. Menzies' rejection of the Labour demand for office. The Ministry hopes that Parliament will adjourn to-night to enable the Government to strengthen its position during the recess.—Reuter.

Daring R. A. F. Attack On Nazi Convoys

BIG SWEEPS OVER FRANCE AND WESTERN GERMANY

400,000 Children Evacuated To Czechoslovakia: Axis Food Reserves Blown Up

LONDON, August 27.

British fighters destroyed ten enemy fighters over Northern France this morning. Eight British fighters are missing.

COLOGNE & LE HAVRE RAIDED

An Air Ministry 'communique' states: "On Tuesday night the operation of aircraft of the Bomber Command were on a somewhat larger scale than of late. Industrial quarters in Cologne were heavily bombed and successful attacks were made on docks at Le Havre and Boulogne. Fighter aircraft on offensive patrolling attacked enemy aerodromes in northern France.

One enemy fighter was destroyed during these operations. Three of our bombers are missing."

Big Sweeps Over Channel

The R.A.F. has returned to continuous day and night air war against Germany's western front. Two big sweeps over the English channel on Wednesday in which, so far as it is known, ten Messerschmitts were destroyed in fierce combats for the loss of eight British fighters, darkened the sunlit sky.

For over two hours residents of towns on the south-east coast heard the almost continuous roar of aircraft as the R.A.F. crossed and re-crossed the Straits. This was followed by a heavy night 'blitz' in Western Germany's crowded industrial city of Cologne, two of whose vital power stations were battered recently in broad daylight and the Channel ports of Le Havre and Boulogne.

The straffing of Luftwaffe aerodromes in occupied territory continues. Last night this was taken up by night fighters on offensive patrol after continuous attacks during daylight yesterday when, it is now revealed, a heavy toll was again taken of Nazi coastal shipping in audacious attacks on two heavily escorted convoys.

Daring Attacks On Nazi Convoys

On Tuesday about noon a group of Blenheim bombers flying on patrol without the benefit of fighter escorts sighted a large enemy convoy off the German Frisian Islands. It was observed that the convoy was well protected. The Germans were taking no chances with its precious freight. There were six "flak" ships, which are vessels especially fitted as anti-aircraft destroyers, bristling with guns, guarding the merchantmen while above circles a patrol of Messerschmitt 110s at about a thousand foot elevation.

Against this formidable line the Blenheims roared in low to attack. The first pilot singled out a freighter as his target and it is believed to have been hit although it could not be verified because the pilot had to take a snap turn to avoid hitting the ship's masts. Another Blenheim attacked a freighter, dropping bombs amidships and causing a great flash of flames and smoke to leap in the air. Other crews busily occupied themselves, bombing and machine-gunning ships and escorts.

NAZIS OPEN FIRE

Meanwhile as was expected the enemy aircraft escort peeled off and came down to engage the Blenheims which were skilfully intent on creating havoc amongst the merchantmen, but the British were ready for this contingency and one flight of Blenheims acting as a section in flying formation adopted evasive tactics while its gunners kept a concentrated fire on the enemy planes.

One gunner alone, according to the Air Ministry News Service, fired 1,500 rounds of ammunition. He saw pieces fall off a Messerschmitt, but there was no time for checking scores. The "flak" ships put up a fierce defence and one Blenheim was seen to fly through the thick of the barrage, receive a hit and dive into the sea.

ANOTHER CONVOY ATTACKED

About an hour later the Blenheims, with a fighter escort, found an even larger convoy off the Dutch coast. There were two lines of merchantships with "flak" ships at the four corners of the convoy and two in the middle on the seaward side. Guns on shore reinforced the "flak" ships' barrage. Enemy fighters were seen, but they stood off not engaging either the Blenheims or the fighter escort.

BIG SHIP SINKS

One Blenheim attacked one of the largest ships in the convoy from a height of fifty feet, dropping bombs which blew all the top works from midships causing a billow of black smoke immediately to cover the entire vessel. The following Blenheim dropped bombs on the same ship which broke up quickly and sank. In all four other ships were hit and left blanketed in flames. Both fighters and bombers machine-gunned the bridges and decks of many of the ships. "Nothing could have lived on those bridges after we had put such loads of lead in them", says one Blenheim gunner.

Axis Food Reserves Blown Up

Reuter's air correspondent writes:—

A shrewd blow at German and Italian food reserves, I learn, lay behind the firing of the Cork forest and plant at northern Sardinia by aircraft of the Fleet Air Arm described by Reuter's Special Correspondent aboard the "Ark Royal" on Wednesday. Among the several important industrial uses of cork is that of insulation in cold storage plants.

The Sardinian source for supplies of cork is more than ever important to the Axis now that supplies from Portugal and Spain have had to be thinned out. Cork is a light but bulky commodity and takes up valuable freight and cargo space which the Axis can ill afford.

The Luftwaffe is another not unimportant consumer of cork which has also been used to provide washers and other small but necessary cork accessories in aircraft engines and parts.—Reuter.

ATTACK ON SCILLY ISLES

The Scilly Isles were attacked and two persons were killed and several injured.—Reuter.

German Plane Crashes In Eire

A German aircraft crashed near Kinsale in the county of Cork on Tuesday evening. The crew, which was uninjured, has been interned.

"CORVETTE PICOTTEE" SUNK

The "Corvette Picottee" (Lieutenant R. A. Harrison, R.N.R.) has been sunk, states an Official Admiralty Communique to-night, next of kin of the casualties has been informed.—Reuter.

Few Casualties During Raid Over Britain

"There was little enemy activity over this country during the night. Bombs were dropped at widely separated points. No substantial damage was done but at one point there was a small number of casualties," states an Air Ministry 'communique.'—Reuter.

R.A.F. ATTACKS TELL!

JERUSALEM, Aug. 27.

Owing to British air raids, 400,000 German children have been evacuated from Western and Central Germany to Czechoslovakia, according to official foreign circles here. It is added that the children are confined to those having well-to-do parents.—Reuter.

WEYGAND IN DISGRACE?

Gen. Huntziger To Take Over Command Of Vichy Troops In North Africa

LONDON, August 27.

It was announced in Vichy today that General Huntziger, French War Minister, is to take over command of Vichy troops in French North Africa.—Reuter.

SABOTAGES INCREASING IN NORWAY

Mass Arrests Order Of The Day

LONDON, August 27.

Recent reports from Norway indicate that despite the state of siege existing at present, acts of sabotage are steadily increasing according to a Moscow Report on Wednesday. "German authorities have made recourse to mass arrests and concentration camps are full to overflowing", says the Report. One of the most important acts of saboteurs occurred at Trondheim where "a violent explosion was heard. It was a huge dump of German aerial bombs." Many fires are raging in Norway, says the report, especially in districts where the German Command have built important secret military establishments.—Reuter.

Police Open Fire On Rioters

Several Injured In Bengal Village

JAMALPUR, (Mymensingh) Aug. 27.

Several persons received injuries as the result of police firing on a riotous mob at Chandrakona 'hat' (weekly market), under police station Nakla.

It is stated that for several days a quarrel was going on between two parties of Mahomedans and police precaution had been taken at the place to preserve peace. On the last 'hat' day both the parties arrived at the 'hat' armed with deadly weapons, and when they defied the warning given by the police, the latter opened fire, wounding several of the rioters.—A. P.

STOP PRESS

R. A. F. In Iran

CAIRO, August 27.

R.A.F. Middle East 'Communique' says:—

IRAN: In Iran yesterday R.A.F. fighters continued to provide protection for our forward troops. One hawker type aircraft was shot down while taking off at Ahwaz and another attacked on the ground. Our bombers again dropped pamphlets on Ispahan, Giraz and Kasbin. Another force successfully bombed gun position and troops concentrations holding the Pytak Pass.

Further reports show that during operations by our fighters on August 25 four Iranian aircraft and not three, as stated in yesterday's 'Communique' were destroyed.—Reuter.

Australian Parliament

CANBERRA, Aug. 27.

The Labour party meeting was postponed until to-morrow (Thursday). It is officially stated that Parliament will meet to-morrow.—Reuter.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

NEW YORK, August 27.

New York Stock Exchange Opening price: General Motors 39¼; Anaconda Copper Mining unquoted; U.S. Steel Common 57 7/8; Preference unquoted.—Reuter.

SHOTS FIRED AT LAVAL

VICHY, August 27.

The Official News Agency announces that shots were fired at M. Laval, Debrignon and another at a ceremony at Versailles marking the departure of French volunteers for the Eastern front. Laval has been taken to hospital and his condition appears to be less grave than at first thought. The man who fired the shots has been arrested.

The man gave his name as Paul Colette born in 1912 at Mandeville. The third person shot at is Deat, who has also been taken to hospital. His condition appears less grave than at first thought.—Reuter.

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L. M. KHATAU,
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Liquidators.

Esplanade House,
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City Engineer's Department
(Works Branch.)

NOTICE.

TENDER for the supply of about 125 Nos. of R. C. C. benches will be received upto 1 p.m. (Bombay Time) on WEDNESDAY, the 17th day of September, 1941.

Tenders should be addressed to the Municipal Commissioner and delivered at the office of the Chief Accountant, Municipal Offices, Fort, Bombay, enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the description of the tender.

Forms of tender, specification, etc., will be issued on payment of Rupee One to any one deputed to receive them by the City Engineer, who will on application give any further information that may be required.

In case of a firm, the names of all the partners must invariably be specified in the tender.

The Municipal Commissioner does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

(Sd.) N. V. MODAK,
City Engineer.

Municipal Offices,
Bombay, 25th August, 1941.
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NOTICE.

THE OUTSTANDINGS of the partnership shop carried on under the name of "Kamath Provision Stores," at Bhandarkar Road, Matunga (G. I. P.) together with the right to carry on the business in the name of "Kamath Provision Stores" will be sold by public auction in the rooms of the undersigned on the 1st floor of Prospect Chambers, Hornby Road, Fort (office of the Popular Insurance Co., Ltd.) on SATURDAY, the 30th day of August, 1941, at 2-30 p.m. (S. T.).

A copy of the Conditions of Sale can be had on application to the undersigned at the above premises, who will also give inspection of the List of Outstandings in his office any time during office hours on any day excepting the 26th instant which is a public holiday.

K. N. GAITONDE.
Arbitrator.
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Legal Notices

IN THE DISTRICT COURT EAST GODAVARY, RAJAHMUNDRY
A. S. 20 of '41.

Gubbala Suranna .. Appellant.
Sait Seshmal, son of
Pratabji .. 1st Respondent.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the appeal is posted to 4-9-41 for the appearance of 1st respondent.

V. APPA RAO,
Pleader for Appellant.
(14980)

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE VI, by the Grace of God, of Great Britain, Ireland and the British Dominions beyond the Seas, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the estate and effects of MULCHAND BHAICHAND, of Patan, retired Hindu Inhabitant, residing at the time of his death at Patan ... Deceased

Bai RUKHI, widow of Mulchand Bhaichand of Patan at present residing at Kataria Building, Gulalwadi, outside the Fort of Bombay. ... Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the abovenamed deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings, if they think fit, before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir JOHN WILLIAM FISHER BEAUMONT, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid, this sixteenth day of August, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and forty-one and in the fifth year of our Reign.

Seal of the High Court at Bombay.

S. J. RAHIMTOOLA.
Prothonotary and Senior Master.

A. H. KIRTIKAR,
The 16th day of August, 1941.
Messrs. GAGRAT & CO.,
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PLIGHT OF POLITICAL PRISONERS IN BHOPAL

Treated Like Ordinary Criminals

Mirza Ashfaq Beg, B.A. LL.B., Vakil, High Court, Bhopal writes under date Aug. 23rd as follows:—

To-day was the second interview in the Bhopal Central Jail with Mr. Abu Saeed Bazmi, Editor, "Madina," Bijnore, and M.L.C. Bhopal, and Mr. Imran Ansari, a worker of Bhopal State People's Conference.

It may be recalled that on the 16th June 1940 about ten workers of Bhopal State People's Conference were imprisoned under the Defence of India Rules and also under Section 448 I.P.C. All these persons are treated like ordinary criminals because there are no classes in Bhopal jail. They are compelled to "shave their heads" and to wear "topa". Neither are newspapers given to them nor are they allowed to receive them from their relation or friends. Censorship on books is so rigorous that even history and literary books were refused to be delivered to them. After three months visitors are allowed to see them for twenty minutes only. Two prisoners only out of them are allowed to be interviewed in a week.

So, in the last week on the 16th August 1941, Mr. Shakir Ali Khan, Ex-President Bhopal State People's Conference, and Mr. Zahoor Hashmi, were interviewed in the Central Jail, Bhopal.

From the interviews of this week and the last week we have received very painful information about the condition of the political prisoners and the attitude of the jail authorities. Most of the prisoners have lost weight and are suffering from dysentery and other stomach diseases which are all due to bad diet. In the summer they were compelled to shut themselves in the cellars (all made of stones) as early as at 5 p.m.

The rest of the prisoners will be interviewed in the next week.

BANGALORE.—Messrs. Elliott Miller, H. Holden and D. N. Aspden were re-elected President, Secretary and Treasurer respectively of the Bangalore European Association at the annual general meeting.—A. P.

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INDIAN INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

Sir Bertram On Impressions Of His Visit To Jamshedpur And Burnpure

SIMLA, August 26.

"India has well and truly laid the foundations of her future greatness as an industrial and manufacturing country." In these words Sir Bertram Stevens summed up his impressions to-day of his recent tour of manufacturing centres at Jamshedpur and Burnpure.

Sir Bertram visited the Tata Iron and Steel Works at Jamshedpur, the Steel Corporation of Bengal and the Indian Iron and Steel Company in Burnpure, the Tata Ore Mines are covered practically the whole of the main industries in the two districts. He made the trip in company with Mr. J. C. Mahindra, the Steel Controller of India, and met a number of the directors of the steel companies, the managers and leading members of the staffs.

ONLY A BEGINNING

Sir Bertram said that he was under a debt of gratitude to the Indian Steel and other companies for the care taken to give him a full picture of progress in their industries to date, and especially of the munition's position. "My foremost feeling is admiration for a national task carried through, often against great difficulties, by men of vision and courage." Said Sir Bertram. "Big as it is, I believe it is only a beginning. The steel industry in any country is basic for extended industrialisation and a definite growth in India of all the anchillary industries which consume iron and steel is assured. The Indian steel industry to-day is so modern in its plant and equipment and flexible in its outlook, that a further industrial development in the economic sense seems relatively easy. It is noteworthy that this substantial expansion is on the way.

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"I was glad to see tangible evidence of the steel industry's big contribution to India's expanding war effort. The spirit of the men engaged in these industries echoes the spirit of Britain. I was particularly impressed by the adaptability of Indian labour and have seen workmanship on this trip that compares favourably with that of Australian factories and of factories in Europe and other countries that I have visited in the years before the war.—A. P.

Alleged Ill-Treatment Of Politicals In Ratlam Jail

(From Our Correspondent.)
RATLAM, August 25.

Mr. Gaffoorkhan, a young public worker of Ratlam who was arrested in January last before offering Satyagraha was sentenced to one-and-half year's R. I. He was attacked with typhoid fever. When he was on his death bed he was handed over to his friends and a deportation order was issued against him. He was taken to Ujjain for treatment and died at Ujjain recently.

It is recalled that the General Secretary of the Central India States' Peoples' Conference more than once drew the attention of the State authorities to the treatment meted out to Sjt. Gaffoorkhan and other politicals in Ratlam jail even when they are seriously ill. The authorities it is alleged are not providing the prisoners with proper facilities and medical treatment. Reports regarding his ailment were made to State officers but with no result.

Indore Labour Leaders To Face Prosecution

(From Our Correspondent.)
RATLAM, August 26.

A labour conspiracy case is under investigation and is going on in Indore State. It is reliably reported from the Central India Agency Indore that several States of Central India are moving the Political department and the Government of India to sanction a prosecution of the leading political workers of the All-India States' People's Conference, Central India States' Peoples' Conference.

Ambedker's Advice To Harijans

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

The remarkable change that the Kasar Wadi area near Dadar has undergone during the past few years and the noteworthy improvement in the Harijan quarters in the locality effected by the Municipality were referred to by Dr. B. R. Ambedkar last night when a purse was presented to him by the residents of the locality for a building for the Independent Labour Party headquarters for which land worth Rs 40,000 has already been taken on lease.

Mr. Upsham presenting the purse said that that was the fourth occasion on which they were presenting the purse for the building fund.

Mr. D. V. Pradhan, General Secretary of the Municipal Kamgar Union who presided, said that he was sorry to refer to the fact that the Gujarati section of the Depressed Classes while sharing to the full the advantages accruing from the activities of the Union was not prepared to share the burden of the Union's activities.

He also announced that the Municipal workers would organise a procession on September 7 to back up their demand for dearness allowance.

BERAR AS SEPARATE PROVINCE

Aney On "Crying Need Of The Hour"

YEOTMAL, August 25.

The creation of a separate province comprising four districts of Berar and four adjoining Marathi-speaking districts of the Central Provinces is the crying need of the hour, said Mr M S. Aney at a Mahavidarbha Sabha meeting held at Amraoti.

It has been decided to hold the Second Mahavidarbha Conference at Amraoti some time early in November.—A. P.

NATIONAL DEFENCE COUNCIL
SIMLA, Aug. 26.

The "United Press learns that the first meeting of the newly constituted National Defence Council will be held on September 15 next. The meeting is likely to continue for three days.

It is understood that the names of representatives of Indian States in the Defence Council will be announced very shortly.—United Press.

U. P MUSLIM M.L.A. DEAD
BENARES, Aug. 27.

Mr. Mohammad Ekram Khan, Member of the U. P. Assembly from Benares-Mirzapur City Muslim Constituency and member of Benares Municipal Board, died this morning. He was suffering from fever for the last three months.—A. P.

More Mahar Regiments Must Be Formed

POONA, August 25.

Mr. P. N. Rajabhoj, President of All-India Harijan Political Conference has sent a memorial to the Governor of Bombay in the course of which he says:—

The Depressed class people very heartily welcome the formation of Mahar Regiment. But the mass opinion as I found it during my tours in various States is that the Depressed class people will feel grateful to the Governor-General if he will very kindly create more such Regiments and the officials in the regiments may also please be appointed from the same class.

Depressed class people must have more posts in King's Commission and Viceroy's Commission.

In the last selection for the I.C.S. Cadre none from the Depressed Classes is taken up. The Governor will be pleased to see that our class also gets some chances in this connection.

The Government may also be pleased to consider favourably and sympathetically the agitation going on all over India for at least one seat in the Executive Council of the Viceroy. According to the resolution passed at various meetings, it would be a favour in the fitness of things that Dr. Ambedkar a leader of our community is taken up in the Executive Council.

Government should look to the interests of the Depressed Class in the matter of provincial and imperial services on some percentage basis according to the population.

The Government may also be pleased to give very sympathetic consideration to Dr. Ambedkar's memorandum regarding Mahar Vatans and repealing the imposition of the extra Judi

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND

Amount previously acknowledged: Rs. 65,48,398/7/6.
For the Lord Mayor's Relief Fund: Rs. 305 the Nerbudda Club Ltd., Jubbulpore.
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Grand Total as on August 27: Rs. 65,49,549/3/6

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LIGHTHOUSES ADVISORY COMMITTEE
NEW DELHI, August 26.

The Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry in consultation with its affiliated memberbodies, has elected Mr. M. A Master, General Manager, Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Bombay, Mr. Gaganvihari L. Mehta, Manager, Scindia Steam Navigation Co., Calcutta and Mr. Haridas Lalji, the Buyers and Shippers Chamber, Karachi, as its representatives on the Central Advisory Committee for lighthouses, for a period of two years.—A. P.

GUJARAT COLLEGE S. R. C.
(From Our Correspondent.)
AHMEDABAD, August 26.

It is learnt that students of the Gujarat College gained back their S. R. C. in its old form by constant efforts of Sir Chunubhai and Lady Vidyagouri Nilkanth and Principal Patwardhan of the College. The students will have to show the meeting agenda to the principal before any meeting under the constitution.

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LOCAL ENGAGEMENTS

To-day

Hindu: Bhadarva Sud 6, 199
Muslim: Shaban 4, 1360
Parsi: Aspandarmad 28, 1310
Highttide: 3h. 54m.; 15-32
Lowtide: 9-13; 21-47
Sunrise: 6h. 23m.
Sunset: 6h. 57m.

ZENANA SHOW OF "NAYA SANSAR"
At 12-30 noon to-day (Thursday) there will be a Zenana show of the Bombay Talkies' picture "Naya Sansar" at the Roxy Theatre, New Queen's Road.

R. A. PODAR COMMERCIAL COLLEGE: Mrs. Hansa Mehta will inaugurate the R. A. Podar College of Commerce Gujarati Literary Association to-day (Thursday) at 3 p.m. in the College Hall.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: A public study class on the subject of 'Karma' will be held at 8-15 p.m. to-day (Thursday) at Futla House, Bhau Daji Rd., Matunga.

PARSI CENTRAL ASSOCN.: At a meeting of the Council of the Parsi Central Association and Political League held on Monday evening a condolence resolution on the death of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore was passed.

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF SOCIOLOGY: The annual general meeting of the Indian Institute of Sociology will be held at the office of the Institute (R. L. Trust Building, Girgaum), at 7 p.m. to-day (Thursday).

"AT HOME" TO JUSTICE CHAGLA
Khan Bahadur H. S. Mahomed, President of the Muslim Students' Union will be "At Home" to Hon. Mr. Justice M. C. Chagla, at the Cricket Club of India to-day (Thursday) at 6-30 p.m.

DR. MOOKERJI'S LECTURE AT PEOPLE'S JINNAH HALL: Dr. H. C. Mookerji will deliver a public lecture to-day (Thursday) at 6-30 p.m. (S.T.) at the People's Jinnah Hall, on "To what extent does Congress Represent Political India." Shri Dhirajlal B. Desai will preside.

CHANGE OF AYURVEDIC EXAM. CENTRE: The Ayurvedic Bhishaka, Visharad and Acharya examinations of the All-India Ayurvedic Vidyapeeth, Lahore will be held at Marwadi Vidyalaya Hall, Sandhurst Rd., Bombay, as usual, instead of G. T. Sanskrit College, Gwalia Tank, as notified before, says Vaidya Kanhaiyalal Ayurvedacharya.

BOM. YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCN. (Stu. Bran.) To-day (Thurs.) at 6-30 p.m. there will be a Public Debate in the Bowen Memorial Hall of the Student Y.M.C.A., Lamington Road. Subject: "That Every Country gets the Government that it Deserves." Speakers for: Prof. R. Pratapgiri and Prof. J. C. Daruwalla. Speakers against: Mr. D.R. Banaji and Rev. Wm. Martin. Chairman: Mr. Frank Moraes.

PASSENGERS AND TRAFFIC RELIEF ASSOCN.: The President and Committee of the Passengers' and Traffic Relief Association regret to announce the sad death of their ardent worker Khan Bahadur Phirojsha Edulji Ghamat, the Hon. Joint Secretary of the Association, on Tuesday. As a mark of respect for the deceased the office of the Association remained closed on Wednesday.

MATUNGA GUJARATI SEVA MANDAL: Under the joint auspices of Matunga Gujarati Hindu Stree Mandal, Matunga Young Men's Club and Matunga Gujarati Seva Mandal, a public meeting will be held to-day (Thursday) at 8 p.m. (S.T.) at C.V.O. Jain Boarding Hall, when collections for the Gujarat Flood Relief Fund will be presented to Sjt. Mahadeobhai Desai, who will address the students. Special arrangements are made for ladies. Sjt. Virchand Panachand will preside.

LADIES' COMMITTEE WAR GIFTS FUND
The following is a further list of subscriptions received through the Ladies' Committee War Gifts Fund up-to-date:—
Rs. 3,95,885/6/11 previously acknowledged. Rs. 2,620 Jumble sale. Rs. 2,000 Victory Stall. Rs. 1,067/12 Ladies' Committee Bridge and Mah Jong Drive, Rs. 589/6/2 Balance of Win the War Rupee Fund. Rs. 570 A. McIntosh Esq. for Lord Mayor's Air Raid Distress Fund. Rs. 500 B. S. Lalkaka, Director, Pioneer Magnesia Works, Ltd. Rs. 120 further contribution, Defend India Flags. Rs. 120 donated by Mr. Sultan Maloobhai. Rs. 83/7 Mrs. Wood, proceeds of dancing show. Rs. 4,03,436/0/1 Grand total.

B. B. & C. I. Line Cleared

TRAIN SERVICE BETWEEN MEHMEDABAD AND KANIJ RESUMED
The damage caused by floods to the bridge over the river Meshwa between Mehmedabad and Kanij has been repaired and train service over that section has resumed. The revised timings of trains due to arrive at and depart from Bombay Central which will come into force with effect from to-day are given below:—

DEPARTURES

Passenger to Baroda	8-35
Passenger to Ahmedabad	12-00
Frontier Mail	20-00
Kathiawar Mail	20-15
Gujerat Mail	21-00
Passenger to Ahmedabad	21-25

ARRIVALS

Passenger from Ahmedabad	5-35
Kathiawar Mail	7-55
Gujerat Mail	8-45
Frontier Mail	9-52
Passenger from Ahmedabad	15-10
Passenger from Baroda	21-00

Talk On Library Movement

There is considerable lack of knowledge as regards the library movement and its aims. It is with a view to enlighten listeners on the subject that Mr. A.A.A. Fyzee, Principal, Govt. Law College, will broadcast a talk from the Bombay Station of All-India Radio, on Thursday, 28th August, 1941 at 8-30 p.m.

Khatau Makanji Free Dispensary

In all 1401 patients were treated at the free dispensary Bhatia Maternity and Nursing Home, Fort, Bombay during July 1941. The average daily attendance was 45.2.

Imperial Bank Of India

The 21st local meeting of the shareholders of the Imperial Bank of India on the Branch Register of shareholders kept at the Bombay local head office of the Bank, was held at the Bombay local head office on Wednesday evening when two persons of the local board Mr. Z. A. Halsall and Mr. A. L. Hutson (who retired) were re-elected.

PARLE-ANDHERI MUNICIPALITY
(From Our Correspondent).
VILE PARLE: Wednesday.
At an informal meeting of the Parle-Andheri Municipality held on Monday night to end the deadlock that had been brought over the issue of Vice-President's election, it was decided that Collector's decision over the controversy referred to, would be binding on all the members and till then Sjt. Barniwalla would postpone his going on leave.

CONDOLENCE MEETING
As the informal meeting was over the adjourned meeting on Sunday passed unanimously a resolution of condolence for death of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore and Sir C. Y. Chintamani, Sjt. Salveskar presiding.

TABLE TENNIS TOURNAMENT
BOMBAY: Wednesday.
The Bombay Hindu Gymkhana (North) Table Tennis Tournament concluded last evening when Mukund Rao annexed the singles title by beating N. Balaram.
In the doubles Mukund Rao and partner after losing the first game rallied to win the second and third and led in the fourth but were unable to maintain this lead and lost the last two games.

AMUSEMENTS OF THE DAY

CAPITOL—"The Return of Frank James" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
EXCELSIOR—"Broadway Limited" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
METRO—"Men of Boys' Town" Daily 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
REGAL—"100 Men and A Girl" Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
NEW EMPIRE—"Adam Had Four Sons". Daily at 4, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
SUPER—"Bambaiwali". Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
PATHE—"Sister". Daily at 3-30, 6-30 and 10 p.m.
ROXY—"Naya Sansar" Daily at 3-30, 6-45 and 10 p.m.
WEST END—"Charanoki-Dasi" Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
MINERVA—"Lagan" Daily at 4-15, 7 and 10 p.m.
KRISHNA—"Khazanchi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
OPERA HOUSE—"Shadi". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
IMPERIAL—"Holiday in Bombay". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.
CENTRAL—"Amrit". Daily at 4, 7 and 9-45 p.m.
LAMINGTON—"Akela". Daily at 4-30, 7-15 and 10 p.m.
CHITRA—"Pardesi" Daily at 4, 6-45 and 9-45 p.m.
NOVELTY—"Bandhan". Daily at 4, 7 and 10 p.m.

To-day's Ganapati Programmes

AT YOUNG MEN'S HINDU ASSOCN.
6-30 p.m. Lecture by Miss Kapila Khandwala on "Women and Social Work" President: Dewan Bahadur H. L. Kaji.

SOCIAL SERVICE LEAGUE'S MAHILA SEVA MANDAL SCHOOL FOR WOMEN
4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Mimicries by Prof. Gambhirrao at the League's School at Audyogic Griha, Dhuru Bldg., Gokhale Rd., North Dadar.

AT CHEMBUR
8 p.m. Mantrajagar. 9 p.m. Kirtan: Hari Bhakta Parayana Shankarrao Kale (Bhivandi).

AT KALYAN ANDHRA ASSOCN.
Telugu Drama: "Krishna". Tulabharam by Sjt. T. Sreeramulu and party at 9 p.m.

LATIF BLDG. TENANTS' ASSOCN. GANESHOTSAVA (Dadar): Mr. P. R. Lele will speak on the "Present Position of the Middle Classes" at 9 p.m. to-day (Thursday).

"WAKF MOSQUE"
A Karwar correspondent writes:—
"Seth Abdul Ghafoor Kalian of Bombay, has built a mosque costing Rs. 7,000 and opened same as a Wakf Mosque for the Muslim population of Kajubaug on the main district road near the District Police Headquarter, Karwar. This is the first mosque built there."

R. B. JAGANNATH V. MUZUMDAR

Retirement After 35 Years Of Govt. Service

Rao Saheb Jagannath Vamanrao Muzumdar, Assistant Secretary to the Government of Sind, P.W.D., who retired from service on superannuation pension from the 1st August 1941 after a service of close upon 35 years, joined the Bombay Secretariat in October 1906. When the Lloyd Barrage and Canals Construction Project was sanctioned by the Secretary of State in July 1923, he was selected for deputation to Sind on a special post for organizing the administrative offices of the Chief Engineer of this gigantic scheme, on the lines of the Bombay P.W.D. Secretariat. Since joining this special post in January 1924, the period of Mr. Muzumdar's deputation came to be extended by Government from time to time in the interests of the public service till the 1st April 1936, when Sind was separated from Bombay and formed into a separate province and Mr. Mazumdar was appointed by the Government of Sind to the post of Assistant Secretary, P.W.D., in the Sind Secretariat.

The special feature of Mr. Muzumdar's long service both under the Bombay and Sind Governments, was his thorough experience of the Secretariat procedure in all its details, as well as his general administrative experience especially in Establishment matters, coupled with a high standard of probity, discipline and efficiency.

In appreciation of his valuable work, Government conferred upon him the title of Rao Saheb in June 1931 and he was also awarded the Silver Jubilee Medal in May 1935 and the Coronation Medal in May 1937.

Rao Saheb Muzumdar distinguished himself also by his numerous social activities in Bombay and Karachi. He was closely associated either as founder, president, or life member of various institutions in Karachi, such as the Maharashtra Mitra Mandal, the Dakshinatya Gowd Saraswat Brahman Samaj, the Shri Shivaji High School, the Maratha General Education Society, the Harijan Mandal, the Sewa Sangh, the Harrison Tennis Club, the Sind Secretariat Club and other institutions.

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION FLOOD RELIEF

Swami Sambuddhananda, President of the Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, writes:—
The Ramakrishna Mission Branch Centre, Khar, Bombay 21, has been working in the flood-afflicted areas of Gujarat for the last several weeks to attend upon the farthest afflicted villages on the banks of the river Par on the one side and the river Kolak on the other side.

The total distribution of corn till 13th August amounts to 336 mds. 21 srs. and the total number of clothes, old and new, is 1173 pieces. The total number of recipients is 1,376.

The President acknowledges with thanks the following donations to the Relief Fund for Gujarat:—
Previously acknowledged Rs. 1,969. Seth Yulubhdas Cursondas Natha Rs. 1,000, The President, the Javeri Mahajan Association Rs. 300, Mrs. Coome K. Ghaswala, through Mrs. B. Sabawala Rs. 200, Mr. Laljee Gokuldas Rs. 200, The Hon. Secretary, Khar Residents' Association Rs. 200, the Secretary, the Hooshami Old Iron Merchants' Association Rs. 101, Seth Matubhai Kasanbhai Rs. 100, A Friend Rs. 51 and lesser amounts from Rs. 25 to Rs. 4 making a total of Rs. 4,414.

Any contributions may be sent to (1) The President, Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, Khar, (2) The Treasurer of the Mission, Mr. P. J. Ginwalla, Solicitor, Old French Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay. (3) The Secretary of the Mission, Mr. D. M. Daru of Thakoredas, Daru and Hemani, Alli Chambers, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, (4) The Secretary, Sri Ramakrishna Ashram, 66, Portuguese Church Street, Dadar (B.B. and C.I. Rly.), Bombay or (5) The Ramakrishna Mission Relief Centre, Vapi (P.O. Daman Rd. Station (B.B. and C.I. Rly.) Surat Dist.

Govt. Drawing And Art Examination

The Director of Information, Bombay writes:—
The Government of Bombay has directed that the Board of Examiners for the Government Drawing and Art examinations should consist of the Director of the Sir J. J. School of Art as its ex-officio chairman, the Superintendent, Higher Art Examination Centre and examiners—internal and external—appointed for painting and architectural examinations.

The internal examiners will be heads of sections of the School of Art, the inspector of drawing and craft work and professors of architecture, while the external examiners will be appointed from among private artists and sculptors and architects

Mr. Dhariyashil B. Ponde recently returned from U.S.A. after 5 years' stay in that country, having completed the Motion Picture Industrial Course of the Columbia University and the Sound Engineering Course of the R.C.A. Institute, specialising in Air-Conditioning. He stood First Class First at the Cameraman's Course of the New York Institute of Photography, with special knowledge of Technicolour.

High Court

ALLEGED IMITATION OF "COCOGEM"

Consent Order Taken

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Kania).
The Tata Oil Mills Co., Ltd. Plaintiffs.
v
The Union Trading Co., Ltd., (Bombay). ..... Defendants.

This was a notice of motion taken out by the Plaintiffs to restrain the Defendants from using the word "Cocogem" or any other word only colourably differing from the Plaintiffs' Trade Wark "Cocogem" upon labels or wrappers of tins containing vegetable oil.

The Plaintiffs alleged that this use by the Defendants was calculated to deceive unwary purchasers and to pass off their goods as the Plaintiffs' well-known vegetable oil.

At the hearing of the notice of motion before His Lordship a Consent Order was taken by which it was provided that on the Defendants undertaking to keep an account of the sales of "Cocozon" by or through them on and from 21st August 1941, His Lordship made no order on the notice of motion.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga instructed by Messrs Wadia Gandhy and Co., appeared on behalf of the Plaintiffs.

Mr. H. R. Pardiwalla instructed by Messrs Lam and Co., appeared for the Defendants.

Girl Gives Evidence In Social Vice Case

BOMBAY, Wednesday.
There was hardly a place to stand in the court room when the hearing of the trial of Bannubai alias Laxmibai Kohli and her husband Motiram C. Kohli was resumed at the Criminal Sessions of the Bombay High Court, this morning.

The girl in the case gave evidence to-day and her examination-in-chief was going on when the Court rose for lunch.

The girl in the course of her examination-in-chief said:

I came from a place called Yezd in Iran to Bombay. I was staying with my father and family in Mohalla Dasturan. I used to attend school at Yezd. The first accused's father was staying in the same Mohalla in his own house about two or three houses away. I came to Bombay from Iran with Bannubai and Rustomji.

After I left school I was serving with one Sarvarj Godarz. I was doing domestic work for her. I was not getting any remuneration but on festive occasions I used to get clothes and shoes. Bannubai asked me my father's name and I was taken inside the house. The second accused was present in the house on that day.

It was our Pateti time and the first accused told me that she wanted my help in domestic work. I told the first accused that I would consult my father and come back.

I consulted my father. He questioned me who Bannubai was and told me that he would first inquire about Bannubai and then allow me to go.

He went to Bannubai. I also accompanied him and I began to do domestic work with the first accused.

Bannubai asked me whether I would like to come to Bombay. I told her I had nobody to look after me in Bombay. She said that she would take me to Bombay. She told me that she would treat me as her own child and get me married to her husband's brother.

She persuaded me and showed me a photograph of her husband's brother. My father was not present on that occasion. Bannubai said that I had no mother and I was a grown-up girl and asked me why I should stay there.

I told Bannubai that I would ask my father and give her a reply. She asked me why I should ask my father and said that I should come. I told her that I must consult my father. I then reported the matter to my father.

He told me that he would make personal enquiries and ascertain.

My father asked me whether I was willing to go. I told him that if Bannubai was a good lady I had no objection to go. On the next day my father passed a writing. While they were at Yezd, I used to go sometime with Bannubai or Rustomji. I once went to the Agiary with them. This Agiary is a little distance from Mohalla Dasturan.

P. E. N. MOURNS TAGORE'S DEATH

All-India Centre's Special General Meeting

A special general meeting of the members of the P. E. N. (All India Centre, was held at the premises of the Bombay University on Tuesday evening to mourn the death of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore.

Dewan Bahadur K. M. Jhaveri presided and among those present was Mr. R. P. Masani, Vice-Chancellor of the Bombay University.

The following resolution was passed all standing:— "This special general meeting of the members of the P. E. N. (All India Centre) records with profound sorrow the passing away of Dr. Rabindranath Tagore, the National President, on the 7th August, 1941, and offers heartfelt condolence to the bereaved members of the family.

"That further it puts on record its admiration of the valuable work Dr. Tagore did as India's Ambassador to the world of culture."

There were no speeches at the meeting but it was decided that a copy of the resolution should be forwarded to the late poet's son Mr. Ratindranath Tagore.

Sardar's Health

BOMBAY, Wednesday.
Dr. Nathoobhai Patel informed the press to-day that Sardar Vallabbhai had made further satisfactory progress in health. He will be medically examined again within two days.

Amendments To Trades Disputes Act

BOMBAY, Wednesday.
Certain amendments to the Industrial Disputes Act of 1938 proposed by the Government of Bombay were considered at a conference of the representatives of trade, commerce, industry and labour that met at the Secretariat today under the chairmanship of Mr. C. H. Bristow, Adviser to the Governor of Bombay.

It was stated that there was no provision for the settlement of disputes between employers and employees in the original Act, though the words "between employers and employees" had been inserted under the section relating to the settlement of disputes. It was proposed by the Government that the words "between employees and employers" should be deleted, and the words "connected with industrial matters" should be substituted instead.

Mr. Mirza on behalf of the labour upheld this change but the millowners' representatives opposed it.

The amendment proposed in relation to the definition of a member of a registered union suggested that a member should have paid his subscription consecutively for six months, and should not have been in arrears for more than three months.

Among those present at the Conference were Mr. D. S. Bakhle, the Commissioner of Labour, Sir Sorabji Saklatvala, Mr. T. Maloney, Mr. M. C. Ghia, Mr. J. K. Mehta, Mr. Gutzarilal Nanda, Mr. Khandubhai Desai, Mr. S. C. Joshi and others

Bombay Port Trust

At a meeting of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay held on Wednesday the Audited Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1941, were approved for submission to Government; the revenue surplus on General Account amounting to Rs. 36.14 lakhs will be transferred to the Revenue Reserve Fund, which, after allowing for the transfer from this Fund of Rs. 41 lakhs to other Funds, will stand at about Rs. 108.89 lakhs. A review of the expenditure for the year 1940-41, comparing it item by item with former years, was also placed before the Trustees and recorded.

A revised estimate of expenditure amounting to Rs 23,000 was sanctioned for repair of steam tug "Sprite".

UNITY OF INDIAN CULTURE

Ramanlal Desai On Efforts Of Muslim And Hindu Scholars

BOMBAY, Wednesday.
"The development of Gujarati literature and culture during the Muslim period" was the theme of an instructive lecture by the well-known Gujarati novelist Mr. Ramanlal Desai at the Convocation Hall to-day evening.

Taking back his audience to the 13th century India Mr. Desai began his lecture with a reference to the conflict that existed then between the Hindu and the Muslim cultures with the consolidation of the Muslim rule in Gujarat. The repression of the early Mohamedan rulers, had very little effect upon the culture of the Hindus which had preserved its sanctity, and had remained in tact in spite of all the odds in its way.

CHANGING SPIRIT
Slowly however the Muslims had veered towards constructive efforts, and under the influence of the changing spirit of the time a new Hindu culture had come to be evolved. Nanak and Kabir were the exponents of this new culture which breathed a new spirit of unity, assimilated all the beautiful elements of the two conflicting cultures that preceded it. But then, in the reign of Shivaji there was again a setback, and conflicting elements had again begun to get the upper hand in the culture of the land.

The final stroke came with the consolidation of the British rule in India which led to the domination of Western culture over the culture of the land.

UNITY OF CULTURE
The lecturer in the end stressed the efforts of unity on the part of the Hindu and Muslim scholars of the day, who, having looked through the painful past, had come to realise the value of appreciating each other's culture—a tendency which had led to the development of Indian art, science, literature, culture, and philosophy, and which had spread their fame to the nooks and corners of the world.

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INDO-CEYLON TALKS

It is now definitely announced from Simla that at the request of the Government of Ceylon, the Government of India have agreed to resume the informal conversations which came to a close in November 1940. Accordingly an Indian Delegation will proceed to Ceylon early in September and the results of its informal talks are expected to be considered by the Government of India later in the same month after the return of the Delegation. It is a pity that Government have paid no heed to the appeals made by many in India to postpone the Indo-Ceylon talks till the acute controversy about the Indo-Burma Agreement is settled satisfactorily. The problem in Ceylon is essentially similar to that in Burma but has been rendered more acute by the break-down in the negotiations last year and the subsequent attempts at anti-Indian legislation in the island, which were nullified by the undesirable method of the intervention of the Governor. In the circumstances a previous satisfactory settlement with regard to Burma would have been a great help to the Indo-Ceylon negotiations. On the other hand, the admissions and concessions made by the Government of India in the Agreement with Burma, as it stands, will be a bad precedent for the talks in Ceylon. While it is true that the Government of Ceylon are anxious to resume the last year's talks, it does not appear that they or the Indian community in the island are in any haste about the fresh negotiations.

Main Questions

So far as the personnel of the Delegation is concerned, it has the advantage—which the Delegation to Burma had not—of including in it representative non-official Indians. And the choice of Sir Mirza Ismail and Mr. T. R. Venkatarama Sastri as such is happy, indeed. The main questions to be considered in the resumed talks will necessarily be the same as those considered in the last ones. These were, by mutual agreement, with regard to (1) the control of immigration into Ceylon, (2) the dismissal of Indian daily paid workers, (3) Indian franchise and domicile, and (4) certain restrictions actually imposed or proposed to be imposed on the rights of resident Indians. It is now understood that till these questions are considered and disposed of trade negotiations will not be taken up. This is an advantage as a satisfactory solution of the former will naturally facilitate a settlement in the latter. It is also a relief to be assured that the talks in Ceylon will be only exploratory. It is to be hoped that the Burma procedure will not be repeated now.

Serious Problem

The problem is not an easy one, considering the present position of Indians in Ceylon. Many restrictions have been placed on Indian labourers and they have been excluded from even the village franchise. Though there is universal franchise in the country, about 75 per cent., of the permanently settled Indians have been left out. The term "Ceylonese" is so defined that the Indians, are debarred from occupying Crown lands. Considering that Indians in the country number about eight lakhs out of a population of sixty lakhs, the seriousness of the problem can be easily imagined. Recently one of the Ministers of Ceylon described the resident Indians as "one million parasites". And there was a clamour among several Ceylon leaders for anti-Indian legislation. More recently, however, moderate influences are believed to have been asserting themselves. Most cordial sentiments towards India were expressed by Sir Baron Jayatilaka, Home Minister and Leader of the State Council, proposing the toast of India at a dinner given last week in honour of the Indian Mayors, one of the many social functions held in honour of the visitors. He said that, if Ceylon had achieved any political progress, it was due to the inspiration they had derived from India. This is as true of Ceylon as of Burma. And it behoves all the three countries to continue to work as brothers as, indeed, they have been in culture for centuries past.

An Offcious Apologist

It is unfortunate that Anglo-Russian advance should be proceeding with rather serious losses to Iranian personnel and material as is evident from yesterday's Simla communique. It shows that the Iranians are resisting to the best of their ability. And one cannot but contemplate the future with a good deal of regret. Meanwhile, however, there is a report that negotiations between the Iranian Government and Anglo-Russian diplomatic representatives were being continued despite military action by Britain and Russia. Will it be too much to expect that a satisfactory solution of difficulties may yet be found and further bloodshed stopped?

In connection with the Iran developments we feel we cannot allow to pass unnoticed the following from a despatch by Reuter's Cairo correspondent:

"King Farouk's sister is married to the son of the Shah of Iran but otherwise there is little in the way of cultural relations between the two countries which, because they belong to opposition Muslim sects, are sharply divided on religious grounds."

This is the second time within a few days that this gentleman has sought, cleverly as he thinks, to invest Iran with invidious distinctiveness. Because Britain and Russia have found it necessary to take military action, this officious propagandist is trying to isolate the entire people of Iran from their Muslim brethren in the Middle East by discovering "sharp" cultural and religious differences. This palpable propagandism would be ridiculous and deserving of dismissal with contempt were it not for the fact that it is mischievous. No one in the Middle East or India can be deceived into abandoning feelings of friendliness and brotherliness towards the people of Iran by the efforts of this alleged authority on Islam and Middle East culture. But he certainly will succeed in irritating a whole lot of people by his propaganda. The British and Russians, however, justifiable their action in Iran, are on the defensive before public opinion in the Middle East and India. Let not the delicate situation be made worse by such gratuitious apologists of theirs.

Grave Allegations

Serious allegations have been made in the U.P. Press about ill-treatment of prisoners in the Lucknow Camp Jail. It is alleged, for instance, that for some days the prisoners were given only boiled wheat and gram because the Satyagrahis were indifferent cooks and could not prepare food according to the regulation standard. According to the account, "during one full month only four pucca meals have been supplied" Now the jail rules provide that whether the prisoners know cooking or not, they should be given prescribed quantities of food prepared by cooks whom the jail authorities ought to employ. It is also alleged that the prisoners are often shut up in their barracks on the most frivolous grounds.

Even more serious allegations have been made. It is said, for instance, that "one hundred and fifty prisoners have been fettered, about a dozen have been given cross-bars and more than 50 have been put in cells." Even a lathi charge is said to have been made on certain prisoners when they objected to the method of taking the roll-call. If even half the facts are as stated they certainly reveal a shocking state of things, reminiscent of things in concentration camps elsewhere. Many will share Mr. K. M. Munshi's surprise that "the Britishers who want India to fight Germany among others for her merciless treatment of exploited countries should not be able to put a check on the irresponsibility of petty officers."

Medical Conferences In India

(By CHAMANLAL MEHTA)

For the last few years the medical profession in India has been trying to organise itself and has shown good progress in various branches of medicine. This advance can be seen from the number of All-India Medical Conferences that are being held every year. These Conferences are held at different times and different places, some are biennial, but the majority are annual. I have had the privilege of attending and helping in organising some of these for some years past. One would have expected these Conferences both of the medical profession and of the specialists well attended by the members of the profession from all over India, but one was disappointed to find that except for just a couple of delegates from different parts of India and a small number of the local medical persons, the large majority of the general practitioners and specialists did not attend but remained satisfied by reading at home the proceedings when published. I tried to study this apathy of the medical profession and was surprised to find that the enthusiasm to attend these conferences and the desire to contribute their mite to strengthen the medical organisation and to advance the scientific work of the Indian medical profession was as keen and as strong as is found in any other country. The chief reasons why the large majority, inspite of their desire to do so, did not attend that these Conferences were held at different places and different times in the year. The distances in India to travel frequently to attend even some of these conferences are very great and require expenditure of lot of money and time. Besides money and time, the routine work in practice, in teaching and office has to be disturbed frequently. The profession in India is economically not so affluent to bear all these sacrifices.

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I am sure that if these Conferences of All-India nature are held at one place and during the same week not only a large number of the general practitioners and specialist will be able to avail of the opportunities to attend them at the least expense of time and money and least disturbance in their routine work but it will stimulate the local institutions and members of the profession to put up a much better show and manage the conferences at a minimum expense as such an arrangement will necessarily have the co-operation of all and a number of functions can be arranged as common to all the conferences.

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At present the following Conferences are held on the All-India basis:—

(1) All-India Medical Congress organised by the Indian Medical Association.

(2) All-India Licentiates Association Annual Conference.

(3) All- India Ophthalmic Conference.

(4) All-India Surgeons Conference.

(5) All-India Obstetric and Gynaecological Congress.

During the year 1940-41, the All-India Medical Conference was held at Vizagapatam during the Christmas holidays, the Ophthalmic Conference at Bangalore just a few days before Christmas, the Obstetric Congress at Calcutta and the Surgeons' at Delhi, both during Easter holidays of 1941. The Licentiates Conference at Bombay just a few days before Christmas 1940.

It is impossible for one to attend even some of these Conferences as it demands a lot of money, time and loss of practice for the days of absence from one's station. Travelling in India is a question of great consideration as it takes plenty of time and money, distances being great between the various places. The general practitioner is interested in practically every branch of medicine and a specialist is interested both in his own and other allied branches. The benefit of the opportunity of advancing knowledge is thus denied to an overwhelming majority of the profession.

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To remedy this defect in our Conference Organisations, I threw out a suggestion at the annual dinner of the Bombay Obstetric Society held on 25th April 1940 that it was very necessary to hold these conferences of the All-India nature at one place and one time to enable a large number of practitioners to attend them at the least expense of time and money. Some of the elite members of the Bombay medical profession were present at the dinner and my suggestion was well received. Consequently I took the first opportunity of putting my views in a concrete form by moving a resolution at the XVIIth All-India Medical Conference held at Vizagapatam in 1940. The resolution had a splendid support and was passed unanimously. It ran as under:—"This Conference considers it desirable that all medical conferences of All-India nature should be held in one place and at one time, so that fullest advantage may be taken of them by the greatest number of medical persons at the least expense of time and money. It is further resolved that the Central Council of the Indian Medical Association should take the initiative and necessary steps in the matter."

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The Indian Medical Association is the biggest and the most representative of the medical profession in India. It has a big central office and a journal of its own with a circulation of 5,000. Thus it was easy for such an organisation to take up the question. It was, therefore, proposed in my resolution that the Central Council of the Indian Medical Association should take up the initiative.

In Easter of 1941 the 3rd All India Obstetric and Gynaecological Congress considered this question at Calcutta, and recognising the importance and advantages of such a move, the said Conference passed a resolution moved by me and appointed four representatives to meet the representatives of as many All-India Medical Organisations as possible, with a view to find out whether it was feasible and advisable to hold the periodical Conferences at one place and in the same week.

I appeal to other medical organisations holding Conferences on All-India basis to consider over this question, and discuss the subject with the representatives of other sister associations, with a view to understand the difficulties likely to arise and to find out the ways and means to overcome them. I am sure such an effort will have a strong support from the whole of the medical profession in India. I would like to make one point clear that there is no suggestion that all these conferences should be held under one roof or on one platform. They can remain and meet as independent organisations.

FRANKLY SPEAKING

More Aid To Britain

Lord Beaverbrook is a sensible man. Expressing his personal wish to see America come into the war he took care to emphasise that the "question is the business of the citizens of the United States."

Americans do not want actually to enter into the war and are rather sensitive about outside suggestions that they should change their attitude. Short of shooting, however, they are doing almost everything to help in the war against the Nazis. Assistance in the shape of naval patrol and despatch of all kinds of supplies to the various fronts is being rendered in a steady stream. Moreover, American production, as Lord Beaverbrook himself says, is now in full swing and increasing. Nor is that all. By a clever executive order President Roosevelt has virtually placed at Britain's disposal foreign ships taken over by the American Maritime Commission. Even though they may not sail to Britain they can immediately operate in Middle and Far Eastern waters. The immense value of this additional help in the matter of shipping is obvious.

Japanese Movements

The authorities in Indo-China have forbidden any transmission of further details concerning the Japanese occupation or Japanese troop movements. This order is interpreted in London as intended to cover up some important military preparations. And, indeed, travellers have reported that the bulk of the Japanese expeditionary force is being sent to the Thai border. The report may be somewhat exaggerated. But Singapore authorities are right in carefully watching the situation. But will Japan strike? She finds herself at the moment in an unenviably awkward position. There is the warning of Mr. Winston Churchill that Japanese aggression must now stop—although he has also made it clear that British action will be entirely dependent upon American lead. In any case Japan must be greatly worried.

Double Dilemma

And, the situation, bad as it is for that aggressive country, has been further complicated by Russia. After shouting and threatening the Press and official spokesmen that they could not regard with indifference the use of Vlodivostok for receiving American supplies, the Japanese have made an official demarche to Moscow about it. They have now got the only possible answer to such a foolish and impudent representation. "The Soviet Government", says a Moscow report, "has told Japan that it would regard any attempt to hinder trade with the United States 'via' Far Eastern Soviet ports as an act inimical to the Soviet Union" This, too, is a plain warning. And the Japanese must be in a fix: they cannot submit to the passage of tankers and ships already on their way to Vlodivostok without loss of face and they cannot interfere with it without bringing upon themselves serious trouble. What are the Japanese going to do?

Language Of Hindustan

Presiding over the Madras Provincial Urdu Conference at Madras the other day, Maulana Zafarali Khan rightly suggested that the best solution of the Hindi-Urdu problem was to leave every one free to learn Hindi or Urdu as he chooses without any interference by any political party. And he also rightly pointed out that this study would not prejudice the progress of other regional languages which also, he agreed, should be encouraged in every way. But this need not prevent the compulsory but elementary study of an Indian language as a better "lingua franca" than English. The language cannot be either the Sanskritised Hindi or the Persianised Urdu, though both Hindus and Muslims have contributed to the growth of these languages. And that is for the simple reason that the masses cannot easily acquire a highly literary language with too many classical words.

Epidemics In Suburbs

To The Editor of "The Chronicle."

Sir,—Vile - Parle - Andheri are centres of typhoid all these days and the epidemic is on increase from day to day. "Public health" is, of all the civic affairs, the foremost concern of a municipality and it is surprisingly strange why the Vile-Parle-Andheri municipality has not been able either to check or to prevent the spread of this "man-eating" epidemic. Nearness of Bombay affords all and many modern appliances to this municipality to take an immediate step to check an epidemic in consultation with the best medical and public health specialists. The suburbs of Bombay are being patronised by the people, though very expensive, for their nearness and healthy climatic conditions but it is afraid that this constant menace of epidemic is likely to result in the suburbs being deserted by the people. In spite of this prevailing virulent type of typhoid, this Municipality has been functioning for many months past without a Health Officer and the "Public Health" is entrusted to a sanitary inspector much more to "nature" as will be seen from the sanitary conditions of these places. But in the present President of this Municipality we have an able administrator, and a veteran of the Local-self-Government Institute. Even with all the negligence on the part of the Municipality to check the epidemic we have the consolation that an able President is at the helm of affairs of this Municipality. Will the president justify his long association with the Local-self-Government Institute by setting the matters right and making the necessary arrangements for the immediate appointment of a Health Officer?—Yours etc.,

VASANT.

GOVERNMENT EXPLAINS

Community Of Premiers On Defence Council Was Only A Secondary Consideration

SIMLA, August 27.

"Attention has been drawn to the recent proceedings of the Working Committee of the Muslim League and to the statement which has been issued by the Premier of the Punjab, consequent on his resignation from the National Defence Council.

"In view of the statements which have been made on this important matter it seems desirable to make it clear in the first place that the Premiers of Assam, Bengal, Punjab and Sind were invited to serve on the National Defence Council in their capacity as Premiers of their Proivnces and on no other basis. It was on that basis that they accepted the invitation which was extended to them. As a corollary should they cease to be Premiers of their Provinces they would cease equally and automatically to be members of the National Defence Council, and their successor as Premier, irrespective of his party or his community, would be invited to replace them.

"In framing the Defence Council His Majesty's Government and the Viceroy were concerned to bring about as complete a representation of the face of India as was practicable and to ensure that the Council should be as representative as circumstances made it possible of all areas, communities and interests in this country. The allocation of the seats assigned to British India was primarily by Provinces. The Premiers of all those Provinces in which the constitution was functioning normally were accordingly invited in every case to join the Council. That was the Primary and essential basis of the composition of the Council.

SECONDARY CONSIDERATION

It goes without saying that in the conditions of India it is not possible to separate in estimating the character or the composition of any public body the community or an individual from his general representative capacity. It was clearly desirable, too, that in a body designed to be as generally representative as was practicable care should be taken to ensure adequate representation of the Great Muslim community. The fact that certain individual members including the present Premiers of Assam, Bengal, the Punjab and Sind themselves professed the Muslim faith was an advantage from this point of view.

That consideration was, however, and must be entirely a secondary one, and the basis on which the Premiers were invited and agreed to serve was essentially that they were Premiers of the Provinces.

"There can be no justification for any misunderstanding of this position. It was made quite clear to the Premiers concerned when invitations were extended to and accepted by them that they were being invited to serve as Premiers. It was brought out by the Secretary of State in his speech in the House of Commons on August 1. The position was further made clear by the Governor-General to Mr. Jinnah, and the Secretary of State was at pains to issue a statement designed to remove any possible misunderstanding regarding it. The Governor - General's conversation with Mr. Jinnah and the Secretary of State's statement both took place some days before the meeting of the Working Committee of the Muslim League."—A. P.

CHRISTIANS MUST TACKLE INDIA'S PROBLEMS

H. C. Mukherji's Advice At Y.M.C.A.

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

"Those Christians who demand more jobs, seats in the legislature, safeguards and special privileges, are no true leaders of the Indian Christian community. We are Indians and want to be regarded as such," observed Dr. H. C. Mukherji, speaking at Bowen Memorial Hall to-day.

The subject of the talk was "A challenge to the educated Indian youth", and Dr. John MacKenzie presided.

The younger generation, said the speaker, had a great task before it. It had to succeed where the older generation had failed. It was necessary that it should give its earnest thought to the problems of the country, as the thoughts of to-day shaped the future.

FOUR-FOLD TASK

The pressing problem before them was four-fold: How to provide enough food for every one; how to clothe India's millions adequately; educating the masses; and the removal of social inequalities and injustice, one of which was untouchability.

The speaker observed that the average food consumed by an Indian was just half-a-pound and that 61 per cent of the nation went half-hungry through life.

Referring to the present higher education the speaker said: "The average expectation of life of an Indian is 22 years and 8 months; to pass B. A., he takes the first 22 years of his life; he has just eight months before him to make use of his educational equipment, if his life does not stretch beyond the average."

The speaker said that the problems of India were becoming daily more insistent and urgent and delay was dangerous. Side by side with their education, they should continuously keep before them the country's demands on them, and their educational equipment, had to fit them for the discharge of their obligations to India's hungry millions.

"You have worshipped the Gods in the temples long enough; it is time you started worshipping the God in man", he concluded.

NEED OF UNITY TO ACHIEVE FREEDOM

Qazi Md. Isa's Advice To Students

"No useful purpose will be served to condemn any political party without giving it opportunity to express its ideas. It is the duty of the younger generation including college students, to take part in politics. We stand for the independence of India. But if we are not united we will never be free" said Qazi Mohamed Isa, Bar-at-Law, of Baluchistan, in the course of the lecture delivered at a meeting, held under the auspices of the Muslim Students' Association at St. Xavier's College on Wednesday Prof. Kothare presided.

Continuing the speaker said the aims and objects of Muslim Students' Association should be to bring together all other parties of different schools of thought and put forward before them their own case in the best form and in the best light. Students should study programme of different parties like the Muslim League, Congress, and the Hindu Maha Sabha as well as the policy of the Government.

He advised the students never to mistrust their opponents but to discuss freely with an open heart.

He referred to how one of the biggest political parties in the country (Muslim League) gave a big snub to the Government of India.

He further advised them to take a broader view of the whole aspect of the Indian question. He urged them to evolve a solution to meet all parties of divergent opinions in the country.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

LONDON, August 27.

According to a Moscow radio broadcast to France, Marshal von Rundstedt, Commander of the German Armies in the south, was killed. It is rumoured that he was murdered by German officers and arrests have taken place.

—"Reuter."

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Referring to the Delhi Radio's report of Indian press comments on the Atlantic 8 points our Simla correspondent observes: "It is only fair to ask that if the All-India Radio wishes to give a summary of Indian Press comments, it should be impartial and fully representative and not one-sided"

Quite right. But, if the suggestion is only fair it is also only futile.

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Writing on the bombshell with which Mr. Jinnah compelled capitulation by Sir Sikandar Hayat and Sir M. Saadullah an Anglo-Indian contemporary says: "the circumstances surrounding their resignation are surprising."

They sure are, brother. But why not make urgent appeals to Lord Linlithgow and Sir Roger Lumley to clear up the "mysterious" affair?

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The League Working Committee has threatened serious "consequence" if Mr. Amery does not solemnly withdraw his criticisms of the Pakistan scheme.

But please do not excitedly await developments.

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"League Executive Growls At Amery" says a local headline.

But this is inadequate. In fairness to the Executive it must be mentioned that it has also threatened to show its teeth, if any.

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The Iran Premier, is reported to have told Parliament that conversations between his Government and Anglo-Soviet representatives are continuing.

Amen!

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"It is a pity that the British did not stress earlier that Britain started asking Iran to expel the Germans in January".

—Reuter's Ankara correspondent.

This correspondent's critical attitude should immediately be dealt a stinging retort by his Cairo confere who knows more not only about the present situation but also about the fundamental differences between Iran and the rest of the Middle East.

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The possibility is reported from Switzerland of fresh Nazi pressure upon Turkey.

There will then be fresh Turkish insistence upon her preparedness.

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The U.S.R.R. has informed Japan that any interference with the transport of American supplies through Vlodivostok would be regarded as an unfriendly act.

The question is what is Japan going to do to stop Russia from trying to stop Japan from stabbing Russia in the back?

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According to a Washington report President Roosevelt has decided to send a Military Mission to China.

And what more can China possibly want in the immediate future for her urgent needs?

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"You know that business you sold me as a going concern?"

"Yes, what about it?"

"Nothing, only it's gone."

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

The man who has no credit can always keep out of debt.

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But few men are wise enough to render one word sufficient.

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The man who has made good doesn't have to blow his own horn.

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There are a few things that even a very young man doesn't know.

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Some women drive their husbands and others make them do all the driving.

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Thirteen is always an unlucky number for some one when it consists of twelve jurymen and a judge.

Raids Galore In Calcutta

PRINTING PRESS AND BOOKS SEIZED IN MOFUSSIL: PROFESSOR TAKEN TO POLICE STATION

CALCUTTA, Aug. 27.

The Intelligence Branch of the Calcutta Police raided last night a house in Dhakuria, District, 24-Parganas, and seized a printing press and a large number of books and papers. Five youngmen who were found in the house were put under arrest.

Several Raids In City

The Police also raided several places in the city including that of Prof. Hiron Mukherji and seized some objectionable papers. Prof. Mukherji was taken to the office of the Special Branch Police, who recorded his statement. He was then let off.—United Press.

U. P. GOVT. DENIES ALLEGATIONS

LUCKNOW, Aug. 27.

"The allegations of whipping and shoe-beating are as false as the allegation of lathi-charge," says a Press Note on the incident in the Lucknow Camp Jail on August 18 last, reported in the Press.

The note, after giving a resume of what happened, adds: "There was no lathi-charge, and no more violence was used than required to get the prisoners into the barracks."

Mr. T. Sloan, Adviser to H. E. the Governor, paid a visit to the Camp Jail this morning.—United Press.

THREAT OF HUNGER-STRIKE

LAHORE, Aug. 27.

Five detenus lodged, in the Muzafargarh Jail have submitted a representation to H. E. the Governor of Punjab demanding their trial in a Court of Law, failing which a judicial enquiry against them. They are: Sheikh Hissamud-Din, an Ahrar Leader, Syed Habib, Editor of the "Daily Mansur", Mr. Karam Singh Mann, Bar-at-Law, Khushal Khan Jadoon and Sajjan Singh Margundpuri.

After referring to their grievances regarding diet and other amenities in jail the detenus submit that they should be treated on par with the detenus of Dehli. They also demand their transfer to a better place.

The detenus have informed the Government that in case their demands are not accepted by 15th September they would resort to hunger-strike.—A. P.

SHETTY & SHARMA RELEASED

Two Congressmen To Offer Satyagraha To-day

BOMBAY, Wednesday.

A further batch of two Congressmen from Bombay proposes to offer Satyagraha on Thursday evening. Mr. Gulab R. Shroff and Mr. Baboobhai Rajani who constitute the batch sent intimation to the Commissioner of Police today. In this connection Mr Shroff proposes to offer Satyagraha near the Congress House at 6 p.m. while Mr. Baboobhai intends shouting anti-war slogans near the office of the "C" Ward Congress Committee, Kalbadevi at 6-30 p.m. to-morrow.

Mr. K. N. Shetty and Mr. Ramcharajrai Sharma, Satyagrahis from Bombay who had been detained in Thana Jail for the past five months, have been released.

Poona Satyagrahi Fined Rs. 1,000

POONA, August 27.

Mr. Ghare Shastri, who was arrested yesterday for offering Satyagraha at Manjri on 25th August by shouting anti-war slogans, was convicted and sentenced to-day under Rule 38 (5) of the Defence of India Rules to pay a fine of Rs. 1,000 in default to undergo six months' simple imprisonment.—A. P.

BIHAR EX-PREMIER RELEASED

PATNA, Aug. 27.

Sri Krishna Sinha, ex-Premier of Bihar, and Mr. Anugraha Narain Sinha, ex-Finance Minister of Bihar were released this morning from the Hazaribag Jail. They arrived this afternoon. They were received at the Patna railway station by the local Congress leaders.

Immediately after their arrival they met Dr. Rajendra Prasad, who is expected to proceed to Wardha on September 2 to recoup his health.

Mr. Sri Krishna Sinha and Mr. Anugraha Narain Sinha are expected to settle their future programme after consultation with Dr. Rajendra Prasad.—A. P.

Satyagrahi Gets 3 Months' S. I.

(From Our Correspondent)

KHAR, August 27.

Syt. S. Gawli, a prominent member of the Ghatkoper Municipality, was sentenced to undergo three months' S.I. for offering Satyagraha at Ghatkoper on Monday last. He was placed in 'C' Class by the Kurla Magistrate.

1,200 Satyagrahis Still In Madras Jails

MADRAS, Aug. 27.

It is learnt altogether 3,400 Satyagrahis were convicted in this Province under the Defence of India Rules from the beginning of the movement, of whom nearly two-thirds have been released on the expiry of their terms of imprisonment. The number of Satyagrahis at present in jail is 1,200, in addition to detenus who number 160.—A. P.

Proposed Talk Merely Exploratory

COLOMBO, August 27.

The State Council rejected by 24 votes to 10 a private member's motion for suspension of Standing Orders in order to discuss a resolution demanding information about circumstances leading to and conditions regarding the proposed resumption of Indo-Ceylon talk.

The Hon'ble Bandaranaike, Minister for Local Administration, generally supported the resolution.

Sir Baron Jayatilaka, leader of the House appealed to the House not to "Queer the Potch" or proposed talks which he reiterated were merely exploratory.—A. P.

"QUITE GENERAL AND VAGUE"

Kripalani On Eight-Point Peace And War Aims

BHOWALI, Aug. 27.

Acharya Kripalani in a statement about the Eight Point Peace and War aims agreed to between President Roosevelt and Mr. Churchill said:

"The test of a declaration is not words but deeds. Nothing has since happened in India to indicate a change of attitude on the part of the Government. Neither imperial minds nor imperial aims change suddenly.

So far as India is concerned, a commentary on the war and peace aims was provided in advance by Mr. Amery. He could not have been aware of what was coming. He thought his latest performance was quite consistent with the Eight Points. The Fourteen Points of President Wilson resulted in the acquisition of territories under the altered name of Mandates. Some other respectable name will be found for allowing new territories as for retaining old empires. It is easily done. It can never be difficult to get the people of their own choice. To prove a want of agreement one can even deny as the Secretary of State has done that India is a country in the sense of the European countries. The distinction between the victor and vanquished nations in the matter of disarmament, as past experience shows, can never accomplish the desired end. The eight points are quite general and vague.—A. P.

CALCUTTA.—The Hon. Chief Justice of Bengal, Sir Harold Derbyshire, has forwarded to His Excellency the Governor a cheque representing one day's pay in connection with the second anniversary of the outbreak of war on September 3.—A. P.

Mrs. Pandit To Meet Kripalani

LUCKNOW, August 27.

Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit is arriving here from Allahabad to meet Acharaya Kripalani and discuss with him the alleged incidents in the Lucknow Camp Jail.—A. P.

Rajen Babu Going To Wardha

PATNA, Aug. 27.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad is proceeding to Wardha on September 2.—United Press.

Madras M.L.C. Jailed

ELLORE, August 27.

Mr. Vadlapatla Gangaraju an ex-M.L.C., who was arrested on Monday for offering Satyagraha was sentenced this morning to one year R.I., and to pay a fine of Rs. 500 in default to three months' further R.I. He was placed in 'A' Class.—A. P.

BOSE'S SEAT DECLARED VACANT

CALCUTTA, August 27.

The seat of Mr. Subhas Chandra Bose, as an Alderman in the Corporation of Calcutta, has been declared vacant by the Government of Bengal on account of his absence from Corporation meetings for six consecutive months.—A. P.

League Analogy For Congress!

Satyamurty's Plea For Going Back To Power And Continuing Satyagraha

MADRAS, Aug. 27

Congressmen must resume office so that in the critical times ahead, good men and true might be at the seat of power, observed Mr. S. Satyamurti, M.L.A., (Central), speaking at a public meeting in Mylapore.

The Government claimed and rightly claimed, said Mr. Satyamurthi, that their war effort was not impeded by the Satyagraha movement. It was the expressed desire of Mahatma Gandhi that the British Government should no be embarrassed in any way, when they were engaged in a life and death struggle. Government, therefore, should allow him freedom to vindicate his principle of non-violence.

While Mahatma Gandhi might be permitted to carry on Satyagraha in his own restricted way, the speaker wanted Congressmen to resume power in the Provinces. He would press this issue before Mahatma Gandhi and with his permission the speaker hoped to try and persuade Congressmen to resume office.

Incidentally Mr. Satyamurti referred to the resignation of Sir Sikander Hyat Khan and Sir Saadullah from the Defence Council in obedience to the Muslim League which would not co-operate with the war efforts of the Government till its "impossible demands" were conceded. If they could continue as Premiers, he failed to see why Mr C. Rajagopalachariar could not function as Premier of Madras, when Gandhiji continued his Satyagraha.

Mr. C. R. Srinivasan, Editor, the "Swadesamitran," presided.—A. P.

Expansion Of Viceroy's Council Does Not End Deadlock

CALCUTTA, Aug. 27.

The hope that Britain would follow a more Liberal policy in respect of India than it had done before, was expressed by Sir Badridas Goenka, presiding over the second quarterly general meeting of the Indian Chamber of Commerce, Calcutta, to-day.

WHAT A CORNER FOR INDIA

Referring to the joint declaration of Mr. Churchill and Mr. Roosevelt, Sir Badridas, said, that it was regrettable that although Mr. Attlee, the Deputy Prime Minister of England had tried to explain away subsequently, the declaration made no mention about the status and constitutional future of India in the post-war period. "It shows what insignificant place India occupied in the eyes of the British statesmen inspite of the enormous contribution which, on their own acknowledgment, this country is making in men, money and, material to the conduct of the war."

IT DOES NOT END DEADLOCK.

Sir Badridas was of the opinion that the inclusion of five additional non-official Indians in the Viceroy's Executive Council was bound to result in a certain amount of liberalisation of the administration. It must not, however, be overlooked that this expansion of the Central Cabinet did not end the political deadlock, nor was it meant to do so.—A. P.

GOVERNOR AT HOUSE OF EX-PRESIDENT OF CONGRESS

SALEM Aug. 26.

H. E. SIR ARTHUR HOPE, GOVERNOR OF MADRAS, WHO ARRIVED HERE TO-DAY MOTORED TO THE RESIDENCE OF MR. C. VIJAYARAGHAVACHARIAR, FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE CONGRESS, AND HAD A TALK WITH HIM FOR NEARLY HALF AN HOUR.—A. P.

JAMUNA IN FLOODS

PATNA, Aug. 27.

Due to heavy rains the entire train service on the E.I.R. main line was dislocated last night. All Up and Down trains had to be diverted through the Grand Chord. The Down Punjab Mail was diverted at Kiul through the South Bihar line and brought down to Gaya wherefrom it took the Grand Chord and proceeded to Calcutta. Normal service was resumed this morning.

Reports have just been received that the Jamuna is in spate.

It has been raining here almost incessantly for the last three days.—United Press.

RY. TRACK ON E. I. RY. RENDERED UNSAFE.

PATNA, Aug. 27.

On account of excessive rain the railway track between Jamui and Gidhaur stations on the main line of the E. I. Railway has become unsafe. Consequently the Down Punjab mail which left here at nine p.m. is held up at Kiul. The Thirteen Up Upper India Express and the One Up Punjab Mail due here at midnight and four a.m. respectively are both held up at Jhajha. A duplicate train is being arranged for carrying passengers from Patna to Delhi.—A. P.

VON PAPEN TO SEE SARAJOGLU

BERLIN, Aug. 26.

The German Ambassador to Turkey, von Papen, who has been at his summer residence on the Bosphorus, is returning to Ankara to-morrow to see the Turkish Foreign Minister M. Sarajoglu, according to a dispatch from Ankara.—Reuter.

Nazi Paratroops About To Invade Turkey

LONDON, August 27.

Intense German troops preparations are continuing in Bulgaria, according to an Istanbul message to the official Soviet News Agency.

Over 10,000 troops, mostly parachutists, are reported to be concentrated in Salonika.

More troops and reinforcements for the German air force are arriving daily, it is stated.

A German Admiral has arrived in Sofia to take command of the large number of vessels suitable for transporting troops and ammunition which are being concentrated in the Bulgarian Black Sea ports of Varna and Burgas.

A fleet of barges is said to be massing at the Greek island of Samos where over 10,000 fresh Italian troops arrived recently.

Anglo-Russian Advance In Iran

SIMLA, August 27.

Iranian naval losses, it is learned here, are two sloops sunk and four gun-boats captured, also a depot ship, two tugs, and a floating dock capable of taking a 6,000-ton ship.

Iranian Admiral Bayendor was killed while leading a counter-attack.

Our naval losses were nil.

We have captured seven out of the eight German and Italian ships interned at Bandar Shapur and the eighth was sunk.

Two of the seven are undamaged and five are repairable. Our casualties were negligible.

The Germans and Italians had made detailed arrangements to sabotage all the eight ships, and some damage had already been done in pursuance of their plans, but British action largely forestalled further damage.

Prisoners taken at Bandar Shahpur include a large number of Germans and Italians. Their exact number is not known. A large number of Iranian naval prisoners were also taken at Bandar Shahpur and Horramshaahr.

It is now known that air borne troops landed in the Haft-Khel area to protect the employees of the oil companies.

We are now in complete occupation of Bandar Shahpur, Horramshahr Sulaimanyah and Qasarshaikh.

The whole area west of Khorramshahr along the Shattel Arab River right down to Abadan is in our hands.

On the south bank of the Karun river we have occupied the naval floating dock and secured the passage of the river between Basrah and Abadan.

The Abadan Island is completely cleared of Iranians.—A. P.

SOVIET ADVANCE IN IRAN CONTINUES

LONDON, Aug. 27.

The advance of the Soviet troops in Iran is continuing according to plan says the Moscow radio.—Reuter.

RED TROOPS OCCUPY TABRIZ

LONDON, August 27.

Soviet troops in Iran occupied Tabriz on Tuesday according to the Moscow radio.—Reuter.

ARDEBIL & DILMAN ALSO OCCUPIED

LONDON, Aug. 27.

A Moscow Radio broadcast reporting Soviet Entry into Tabriz, an important commercial city and railhead in northern Iran on Tuesday, states that Ardebil and Dilman to the east and west of Tabriz respectively, have also been occupied.—Reuter.

SOVIET'S RIGHT TO SEND TROOPS

LONDON, Aug. 26.

In view of Article VI of the Treaty signed between the Soviet and Iranian Governments in 1921 it would be only consistent with Iran's Treaty obligations to permit the entry of Soviet troops, since by that Treaty Iran granted the right to Russia to send troops into Iran should a third Power desire to "use Persian territory as base of operations against Russia or if a Foreign Power should threaten the frontiers of Federal Russia and if the Persian Government should be unable to arrest such menace after having been once called upon to do so by Russia." The Joint Anglo-Soviet memorandum concerning the presence or large numbers of recently arrived German nationals in that country which was handed to the Iranian Government established a clear case for invocation of this Article of 1921 Treaty.—B.O.W.

DOMINIONS AND WAR CABINET

No Prospect Of Imperial Conference Till End Of War

LONDON, August 27.

Reuter's political correspondent wires:

There has been much discussion in political circles on the question of the Dominions' participation in the direction of the war. Point has been lent to this discussion by the recent proceedings in Australia.

In regard to the question of an Imperial War Cabinet it is felt that, admirable though such a suggestion is in theory, it presents enormous difficulties in practice. Reference is continually made to the Imperial War Cabinet in the last war but in fact that Cabinet only met three times. Once in 1917 and twice in 1918. It was in fact a gathering of Dominion Prime Ministers.

There has been attempts during this war to arrange for similiar meetings of Dominion Prime Ministers but upto the present it has not been found possible to get them all in this county at the same time.

NEW SITUATION

It must be remembered too that there is a very full inter-communication between the various Dominion Governments and this country. Moreover the Dominions Secretary attends every meeting of the War Cabinet and there is a meeting every day between the Dominion Secretary and the High Commissioners, who are given the very fullest account of what is going on. There is also a stream of telegrams between Britain and the various British High Commissioners in the Dominions and from them to Britain.

Another suggestion which has been discussed is that visiting Prime Ministers should also be members of the War Cabinet. Although there are certain technical difficulties in this proposal, as it is a United Kingdom War Cabinet, in practice any visiting Prime Minister attends the War Cabinet and takes part in all the discussions except those of a purely domestic nature and the fact that he is a Dominion Prime Minister gives his special authority on his own.

REPRESENTATION PROBLEM

A proposal has also been made that there should be Dominion Ministers attending the War Cabinet but a point is made as to what powers they should be given by their Government. A Prime Minister can bind his Government but that would not be the position of any other Minister, who would presumably have to refer back for approval any important matter that might arise with the consequent delay and also the fact that to a considerable extent he would be duplicating the present functions of the High Commissioner.

It is quite certain that the proposal that one Dominion Minister should represent other Dominions would not be acceptable to the other Dominions. Each Dominion has its own point of view on the various problems that arise and it can and does express it. This difficulty might be solved by the appointment of Ministers from all Dominions to attend the War Cabinet but already criticism is being made in this country that the War Cabinet is too large as at present constituted.

SMUTS' ROLE.

There has been some discussion on the part played by Gen. Smuts in the last war, but he was invited by Mr. Lloyd George on account of his qualities as a soldier and statesman and it was on his own individual capacity that he acted in the War Cabinet. That situation would not apply to the people who came to this country now as representatives of the Dominions. Australia is the only Dominion that is showing any interest in this matter at the moment. The aim of Government over here is to secure the fullest possible collaboration with the Dominions.

NOT TILL END OF WAR.

Apart from a meeting of Dominion Prime Ministers, which, it is still hoped, will be held when circumstances permit, there is no idea at present of summoning an Imperial Conference.

Such a Conference, however, would be held, when it was felt necessary to deal with the many problems coming up for settlement at the end of the war.—Reuter.

Diplomatic Relations Maintained

MOSCOW, Aug. 26.

Diplomatic relations are being maintained between the Soviet Union and Iran, M. Lozovsky, Soviet spokesman, told here tonight.

"The Soviet Ambassador is still in Teheran and the Iranian Ambassador still in Moscow," he stated.—Reuter.

FACILITIES FOR PASSAGE DEMANDED

LONDON, Aug. 27.

It is understood that Germany has asked for facilities for immediate passage through Turkey of German women and children from Iran.—Reuter.

"LIBERATOR'S" NEW RECORD

American Bomber Covers Atlantic In Seven And Half Hours

SANDIEGO (California), Aug. 27.

A flight from Newfoundland to Ireland in seven and a half hours was the Trans-Atlantic performance by a Liberator Bomber of which the navigator's report has been sent to the Consolidated Aircraft Corporation by the British Ministry of Aircraft Production.

The four engined machine flew so high that the crew of five had to wear oxygen masks. Though the outside temperature was 32 below zero, the navigator said that the cabin was warm.—Reuter.

ON MIDDLE EAST FRONT

CAIRO, Aug. 27.

The following British Middle East 'communique' was issued from G.H.Q. to-day.

"LIBYA:—In the Frontier area as the result of the activity of our patrols the enemy opened up artillery fire. In the Tobruk area there is no change.

ITALIAN EAST AFRICA:—In the Wolkefit area a small detachment co-operating with Ethiopian patrols successfully attacked an enemy fort, capturing seven Italians and several machine-guns."—Reuter.

Exchange Of Artillery Fire At Tobruk

CAIRO, August 26.

"Three people were injured and slight damage was done in an air raid on Alexandria on Monday night," according to the Official "communique".

Some exchange of artillery fire both at Tobruk and in the frontier area is all that is recorded in a Middle East "communique."—Reuter.

STAGE REACHED FOR FAR EAST DECISION

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bassador that since a similar statement had been made by the Japanese Foreign Minister Admiral Toyoda to the Soviet Ambassador in Japan M. Smetanin, the Soviet Government had entrusted its Ambassador in Tokyo to inform the Minister for Foreign Affairs as follows:

"UNFRIENDLY ACT".

The Soviet Government sees no ground for anxiety on the part of Japan in the fact that goods purchased by the Soviet Union in the United States such as oil and petrol which you have mentioned will be shipped to the Soviet Union by the usual trade routes including Far Eastern Soviet ports. Likewise, the Soviet Government sees no reason on its own account for anxiety in the fact that Japan imports for her needs goods from other states. The Soviet Government deems it necessary in this connection to state that it could not help regarding any attempts to hinder the normal trade relations between the Soviet Union and the United States via' Far Eastern Soviet ports otherwise than as an act unfriendly to the U.S.S.R.

At the same time, the Soviet Government confirms that goods purchased by the Soviet Union in the United States are destined in the first place for the satisfaction of the growing needs of the U.S.S.R. in the west in connection with the defensive war imposed upon the Soviet Union as well as for agricultural needs in Soviet Far East".—Reuter.

EAST INDIES READY FOR ACTION

BATAVIA:—It is officially announced to-day that necessary steps for putting into effect the law for native conscription, recently passed by the Netherlands East Indies People's Convention, has been carried out so smoothly and rapidly that native conscripts will be called to arms as early as September 25. Home Guards will be organised in Sumatra according to the scheme already operating in Java.

The Netherlands East Indies Government have, moreover, adopted preliminary measures by which all persons "of no nationality" between the ages of sixteen and sixty residing in the Netherlands East Indies or employed on Netherlands East Indies ship or ships belonging to the Netherlands East Indies will be liable to compulsory civil defence work.—Reuter.

AMERICAN ARMY *MANOEUVRES*

TACOMA (Washington), Aug. 27.

United States army units participating in the Pacific North-West manoeuvres are "far, far ahead" of any divisions sent to France in the last war, declared the War Secretary, Mr. Stimson, at a Press Conference.

Mr. Stimson was an Artillery Colonel in France during the last war. Both he and General Marshall, United States Chief of Staff, expressed approval of the military training which the troops in the Far West are receiving.

General Marshall declared that the army could not be caught unprepared if it was suddenly called on to expand again. "Sites are being selected and preliminary surveys are being made for twenty more cantonments. If need arises we will be in a position to start building immediately."—Reuter.

NO 'MUNICH' IN FAR EAST

Chungking Welcomes U. S. Military Mission Plan

CHUNGKING, August 27.

President Roosevelt's announcement of an American Military Mission to China is welcomed in Chinese circles here. It is expected definitely to remove recent apprehensions in certain quarters about the possibility of further United States appeasement efforts towards Japan caused by reports of Japanese-American negotiations. The announcement is interpreted here as indicating that the United States not only desires closest co-operation with Chungking but is also not afraid to take steps which will unquestionably offend Japan. Close co-operation between Chungking and Washington already exists, for there has been several important American missions to Chungking including air force and transportation missions.

Meanwhile satisfaction is expressed at Mr. Cordell Hull's statement that a settlement of Far Eastern problems must be based on the fourteen points enunciated in July 1937 in which the Secretary of State denounced the use of force as instrument of national policy and also advocated non-interference in the internal affairs of other nations.—Reuter.

RUSSO-GERMAN WAR FRONT

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total Soviet dead were estimated to be more than 40,000.

Nazi Denial

The Germans deny the Moscow report that General von Runstedt, Commander of the German armies in the south has been killed, according to a Berlin message.

According to a Moscow radio broadcast to France, General von Rundstedt, Commander of the German Armies in the south, is killed.

It is rumoured that he was murdered by German officers and arrests have taken place.

Rumanian General Shot

General Ciuperca, former Inspector-General of the Rumanian Army has been shot for opposing the sending of a Rumanian army to fight beyond the Dneister according to rumours in Bucharest quoted by the Istanbul Correspondent of the Independent French News Agency, which adds that 12 Rumanian Generals have resigned for the same reason.—Reuter.

GERMAN TACTICS

"Annalist" writes:—

With a blare of trumpets and roll of drums the Germans today announce the capture of Velikiye Luki, a junction on the direct railway from Riga to Moscow. They claim a big bag of prisoners and 400 guns. The area marks the junction of the armies of Marshal Vorsoshiloff and Marshal Timoshenko and it would be a natural place for the Germans to attempt to drive in a wedge.

The Russian 'communique' again speaks of severe fighting all along the front, but does not mention any place specifically. It must be admitted that this severe reticence of the Russian 'communique' does not engender a certain degree of nervousness especially as it leaves the field clear for resounding German claims. Fortunately these have so often proved to be exaggerated that they are always treated with extreme reserve.

NO NEWS FROM LENINGRAD FRONT

There is no further news of fighting in the Leningrad area nor, more significant still, is there any more information available on the subject of the Russian counter-offensive in the region of Gomel. In well-informed quarters in London considerable importance is attached to this Soviet attack as it is felt it may have a decisive influence in the Russian salient at Kiev. Here again one is very near to the point of the junction between the left flank of Marshal Timoshenko and the right of Marshal Budenny.

REDS HAVE SOMETHING UP THEIR SLEEVES

Having failed in their Blitz tactics and the policy of attrition not yet having yielded appreciable results, the Germans are apparently trying to separate the three Russian Commands so as to deal piece meal with the one offering the best chance of success. If they are able to retain the initiative these tactics are certainly full of menace, but it is possible that Russian Commanders have some cards up their sleeves.—Reuter.

NO U. S. NAVAL AID TO RUSSIA

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.

Asked whether any naval aid was being prepared for Russia the Secretary for Navy, Col. Knox replied at a Press Conference, that he had nothing in mind.

He replied negatively to question whether he planned to send a Naval Officer to the forthcoming Moscow talks or an Additional Naval Attache to the Moscow Embassy.

Regarding the war in Russia Col. Knox said that Government had made repeated and futile requests to send American observers to the fighting zone. "I wish you fellows would try to work on Joe Stalin to get some observers to the front."—Reuter.

The Half-Column By "Dim"

Went to the opening of the Silverfish on Tuesday evening and was most pleasantly impressed and even more surprised that a book-club of this sort and so delightfully modern in decor could be found in the India of my time. In reality it is a garret on top of the New Book Company which Mr. Kaikushroo Taraporewala, not to be confused with the Original Mr. Taraporewala, who is one of the more progressive-minded booksellers and publishers to-day, has converted into a club. To Mrs. Evelyn Wood, however, goes the credit of transforming this g ar ret", which I had seen in original form and I am not exaggerating when I say she has done a job with which she should feel extremely pleased. Designed by her, the work was executed by a local Indian firm, but it is the conception which is individualistic—the white lamps of spray-painted iron with parchment shades on which appears black writing in Latin, Greek, Persian, etc.

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Verrier Elwin performed the opening ceremony which divided itself into two parts: (1) a delightful speech which Elwin might have made at the opening of the Morley (if he was old enough!) (2) the catching of a Silverfish from an ocean (here basket) of sand.

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Two things struck me as rather nice: (1) The completely unobstrusive character of the man who had spent a tidy sum to make it possible. He had tucked himself into nooks and corners from which like a shell-fish he would sometimes emerge to receive a few congratulations. Yes, Mr. Kaikhushroo Taraporewala (who because of this constant confusion should now call his bookshop the "Aboriginal" Bookshop to distinguish it from the "Original"). You've done a service to this city for which I for one feel deeply grateful. Item No. (2) which I liked was that the people invited were ordinary people. No bogus litterateurs (except one who looked suspiciously so in his Salon de Paris rig-out), no bogus amateur journalists such as so often pester the press with their views, no knights, no "leaders." The only veteran on the premises was that delightful old gentleman, Prof. Wadia of the Wilson College, who looked venerable in his Poincare-beard—though a little also like the hill-billy pictures in "Esquire."

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Now I had heard of other book clubs and "intellectual" organisations which I have studiously avoided. I never could understand aesthetes nor petticoated-profes-sors. I'm a very ordinarily-read man. I don't profess to be entitled to pose and posing has always made me uncomfortable at any time When I went to the Silverfish, I frankly confess, it was more out of a feeling of curiosity and I thought I'd never go there again But imagine my surprise when I discovered that this was no haunt of the "alleged" intellectual but a sort of coffee club for a few nice people, who fully realise they never can and never will read a book as the Silverfish, but who want to meet and chat in a friendly atmosphere. And it is as a parking place for a few likeable people that I welcome the Silverfish and hope it will not be so cumbrous in membership as to hold Jonah and the Whale!!

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Overheard at the Kitabistan. First Member: "Are you going to be a member of the Silverfish.?" Second member: "I'm afraid we'll be fish out of water.

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NEW YORK COTTON FOURTEEN POINTS UP

COTTON:

LATEST NEW YORK COTTON PRICE.

OCTOBER
New York: August 27.
Previous closing 16.72
To-day's opening 16.81
Difference ..... +9
To-day's closing 16.86
Difference ..... +14

BROACH EXPECTATION.
Broach April/May ..... Rs. 270/8

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York: August 27.
New York cotton continued to exhibit a fairly brighter tendency. The action of the market after the veto was construed as very constructive. Trading in October began at 16.81, that is, 9 points higher than the last closing. Prices advanced on trade and local buying with some short covering. The under-current showed the firmness throughout.
The following are opening ranges:
October (16.40/40) 16.84/81
December (nutiiated) 17-01/16.99
March (16.78/77) 17.19/16

LONDON COMMODITIES.
London: August 27.
Castorseeds August September (£20 7/8) £20 7/8 quoted
Linseed Bombay Calcutta August September (£20 5/8) £20 5/8 quoted
Linseed La Plata September (£12 1/4) £12 1/4 quoted
Groundnut Coromandal Coast August September (£19) £19 quoted
JUTES
Dundee August/Sept. (£54) £54 nominal
Lightning Aug/Sept. (£50) £50 nominal.
RUBBER
Spot (13 11/16d value) 13 11/16d value.
Forward November (13 11/16d value) 13-11/16d value
LONDON METALS
Tin (£256 buyers; £256 1/4 sellers. Quiet)

3 1/2 PER CENT STERLING LOAN
London: August 27.
3 1/2 per cent Indian Sterling Loan closed to-day at £98 1/2
AUSTRALIAN LOANS
London: August 27.
5 per cent 1958/68 (£103 7/8) £103 7/8
BRITISH FUNDS
2 1/2 per cent Consols (£31 11/16) £31 5/8
3 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£105 1/16) £105 1/16
2 1/2 per cent Conversion Loan (£99 11/16) £99 11/16
4 per cent Funding Loan (£114 3/8) £114 3/8
3 1/2 per cent War Loan (£105 1/16) £105 1/16
New York Loan (£101 1/2) £101 7/16
4 1/2 per cent Victory Bonds (£111 5/8) £111 5/8
INDUSTRIALS
Standard Motors (14-1) 14-0
Marks and Spencer Ordinary (36-9) 37-3
Electric Music Industry (12-0) 12-0
Princhin Johnson (22-10) 22-9
Imperial Chemicals (31-1) 31-1
Woolsworth New Ordinary (57-9) 58-0
San Paulo 7 per cent Coffee Rates (£65) £66
Dundee (35-1) 35-3
Unilever Ordinary (25-3) 25-3
Ford Motors (20-6) 20-10
Cables and Wireless New Ordinary (£62) £61 1/2
British American Tobacco Ordinary (£4 3/16) £4 1/16
Carreas 'A' (£4 7/8) £4 29/32
Imperial Tobacco Ordinary (£5 5/8) £5 11/16
P and O Def (27-4) 27-0
Distillers (58-3) 58-3
Bredfords Dye (6-10) 6-16
British Celanese (5-1) 5-1
J and P Coates (35-7) 35-7
Courtaulds Ordinary (31-4) 31-4
Fine Cotton Spinners (4-6) 4-6
Vickers Limited Ordinary (16-4) 16-3
Inter Nickel (dol 40 5/8) dol 40 1/2
Indian Iron (48-9) 48-9
TEA SHARES
Assam Company (19-4) 19-4
Donaro Tea (28-1) 28-1
Empire of India (18-9) 18-9
JUTE
Barnagore (£7) £7
RUBBER SHARES
Anglo Dutch Rubber (15-3) 15-3
Guia Kelampong (15-0) 15-0
Rubber Plant Inv Trust (27-0) 27-0
MINING SHARES
Nandydrug (17-6) 17-5
Burma Corporation (6-0) 6-0
Rio Tintos (£6) £6
East Rand Properties (£2 7/32) £2 7/32
Rand Mines (£7) £7
MINE SHARES
Crown (£10 1/2) £10 1/2
Associated Portland Cement (54-4) 55-0
Trinidad Leasehold (65-7) 65-7
Sub Nigel (£7 3/16) £7 3/16
Spring Mines Split Shares (£1 1/16) £1 1/16
Union Corporation (147-5) 146-0
OIL SHARES
Venezuela Persian (28-9) 28-9
Anglo India (37-6) 38-9
Burma Oil (£2 13/16) £2 7/8
Mexican Eagle (8-10) 8-10
Shell Transport (£2 1/2) £2 13/32
Royal Dutch (£19) £19
RAILWAY SHARES
Great Western Ordinary (£41 1/4) £41 3/4 £41 1/4
London Midland Ordinary (£15 3/4) £15 3/4
London North Eastern Def (£1 13/16) £1 3/4
London Southern Defd (£14 3/4) £15
London Transport 5 per cent (£123 1/2) £123 1/2
London Transport (£45 1/2) £45

Madras Share Market

MADRAS: August 27.
The market opened a bit hesitant, but closed slightly better. Securities were unchanged. Textiles moved narrowly irregular but Plantings were steady, otherwise the market showed no fresh development.
Indian Bank 129/4, Coimbatore Cotton 123, Cambodia ordy 10/12, Cochin Textiles pref 111, Mysore Silk 11/4, 11/6, Sitaram 72, Cottanad pref 12/8, Mlamallay ordy 24/4, 24/8, Cochin Malabar ordy 7/14, Udayagiri 6/10, Tropicals 18/12, 18/14, Nellithanam 8/10, Travancore Rubber 9/12, Ouchterloney Valley ordy 2/10, 2/9/6, Chambrah 4/13/6, 4/14/6, 4/14/9, 4/15 c d. Midland 6/14, Thirumbadi 1/15, Nilgiri Neerugundi ordy 2/8, Periakaramalai 18/10 ex-d, Be Be 7/6 c-d, Coorgs 32/8, Kalpettas 23/8, Cochin Power 8/12, 8/14, Narasaraopet Electric 50/8 c-d, Mysore Sugars 55/4, Spencer ordy 5/13, Spencer ordy 'B' 9/8, Mettur Chemical ordy 12/14, 13/1, Mettur Chemical Debs 106/8, Mysore Match 10/7, Mysore Chemical Manufacture 15/2 c-d, Indian Steel Rolling ordy 8/2.

EXCHANGES:

CROSS RATES.
T T NEW YORK ON LONDON
New York: August 27.
Previous closing 4.03 1/4
To-day's opening 4.03 1/2
T T LONDON ON NEW YORK
London: August 27.
Previous closing ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's opening ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
To-day's closing ..... 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2

LONDON BULLION.
LONDON GOLD
London: August 27.
London Gold (£8/8/0) £8/8/0
LONDON SILVER
London: August 27.
Spot (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil
Forward (23 1/2d) 23 1/2d nil
CROSS RATES
London on Bombay (1-5 31/32) 1-5 31/32
Paris on Bombay not quoted
New York on Milan not quoted
New York on Bombay (30.33) 30.33
London on Shanghai (0-3 3/16 sellers) 0-3 3/16 sellers
London on Kobe not quoted.
DISCOUNTS
3 months (1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/4 to 1 1/4 per cent.
4 months (1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/16 to 1 1/4 per cent
6 months (1 1/2 to 1 1/4 per cent) 1 1/8 to 1 1/4 per cent.

BULLION AND SEEDS.
London: August 27.
There was no trading during the night session.

£256 1/2 buyers; £257 sellers. Steady.
Electrolytic Copper (£62) £62
Lead (£25) £25
Glasgow Iron No. 8 (131 sh.) 131 sh.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Closing Tone Quieter

CALCUTTA: August 27.
The market opened unchanged and good business was put through to-day. Coals, Cottons, teas & popular miscellaneous industrials kept fairly steady. Speculative Engineering issues also improved at one time but the closing tone was, however, somewhat quieter. Government Securities continued firm.
Govt. Securities: 3 per cent Loan 1963/65 95/3, 3 1/2 per cent Govt Paper 96, 3 per cent G P 82/10, 5 per cent U P Bonds 1944 106/10 s lot, 5 per cent U P Loan 1961/56 99/8.
Cottons: Benares Cotton 4/11, Basanti ord 4/9, Cawnpore Textiles 8/8, Dunbar 247 s odd lots.
Coals: Bengal 372, Bengal Bhatdee 3/2, Burrakur 14/3, Central Kurkend 14/14, Dhemo Main 12/14, Nazira 9, New Beerbhoom pref 15/8, Samla 2/9, Talcher 1/12, west Jamuria 30.
Jutes: Adamjee 26/8 s lot, Alliance 327, Angio-India 36¼ s lot, Baily 243, Belvedere 40/8, Birla 28/12 s lot, Budge Budge 372/8, Clive 27/10, Empire 27/2, Ganges 315, Gourepore 690, Gorepore pref 156/8, Howrah 55/12, Howrah 'A' pref 169/8, Hukumchand pref 149/8, Hukumchand ord 12/4, India 377 s lot, Kamarhatty 525, National 23/12, Naihati pref 178, Nellimarla 11/4, Northbrook 38/4, Northbrook pref 150, Nuddea 67/4, Orient 206, Presidency 5/8, Reliance 58/12, Soorah pref 142.
Miscellaneous: Burma Corporation 4/6 ex-div, Indian Copper 2/1, Dalmia Cement ord 13/8, Benares Elect 14/14, Lahore Elect 'B' 26/8, Britannia Building and Iron 11/12, Britannia Eng 11/7, Burn and Co ord 421, Indian Iron 31/15, Indian St Wagon ord 6s/8, Indian St Wagon pref 172/8, Indian Steel and Wire Products ord 58/8, Indian Steel and Wire Products Defd 39/2, Kumardhubi Eng ord 5/3, National Iron and Steel 9/7, Steel Corporation ord 18/15, Associated Hotels ord 3/11, Associated Hotels pref 101, British Ceylon Corporation ord 4/9, British Ceylon Corporation pref 5/7, Rohtas Industries 175, Walford Transport pref ord 1/9, Indo-Burman Petrol 98, Indo-Burman Petrol pref 118, Bengal Paper 129, Orient Paper ord 14/5, Titaghur Paper ord 20, Borooah Timber 15/12, New Savan Sugar 11/10.
Teas: Birpara 295, Hantapara 400.
Debentures: 3 1/4 per cent 1956/66 Howrah Bridge 99/10 s lot.—A. P.

AJMER RAILWAY STRIKE CONTINUES

Labour Union Secretary Externed

(From A Correspondent).
AJMER, Aug. 23.
Ten thousand railway workers are on strike here for the last eight days. On the 17th instant the D. S. P. served Com. Joshi, Secretary of the Railwaymen's Union, with an externment order and allowed him only 15 minutes for preparation for his departure. All the arrested workers have been released unconditionally except six who were released on bail.
No concrete proposals to effect a settlement have come from the Railway authorities.
A resolution expressing full confidence in Comrade Jwala Prasad, and conferring on him full authority to effect a settlement between the Railway authorities and the railway workers on behalf of the Railwaymen's Union regarding dearness allowance and other demands of the workers, was passed in a meeting attended by nearly eight thousand workers which was presided over by Shriyut D. V. Shivahare, a prominent Vakil and Municipal Commissioner of Ajmer.
While explaining the resolution Maulana Abdul Shakur asked the workers to be watchful over the disruptive tactics of certain interested parties.

Relief For Handloom Weavers

CALCUTTA, August 27.
The Government of Bengal have for some time under consideration special measures to relieve the distress of Handloom Weavers who have faced serious difficulty owing to the various causes, particularly the sharp rise in the price of yarn.
It is understood that the Agriculture Department are approaching the Government of India for special allotment for the handloom industry of the Province.
Meanwhile, the Government of Bengal have decided to advance to the weavers in distress bundles of yarn monthly or fortnightly against the hypothecation of their looms and accessories to manufacture cloth of certain kind to be sold to the Industries Department. The weavers will be paid wages for manufactured cloth at piece rates based on famine "test" rates.
The above scheme will work for three months for the present.—United Press.

WORKING HOURS OF JUTE MILLS

Move For Increase To Be Considered At To-day's Meeting

CALCUTTA, August 27.
The recommendations that the working hours of the jute mills should be increased from 40 to 50 hours per week with effect from September 1, was made to the member mills by the Committee of the Indian Jute Mills' Association at a special meeting held today.
A special meeting of members of the Association has been convened for tomorrow afternoon when the above recommendation will be considered.
It is intended that these enhanced hours should continue until the end of the year, according to a Press Note issued by the Mills' Association.—A. P.

MUKUNDRAO ANNEXES SINGLES TITLE

The Bombay Hindu Gymkhana (north) Table Tennis Tournament concluded last evening when Mukund Rao annexed the singles title by beating H. Balaram.
Balaram attempting to force the game at the outset lost the first game but in the second game which just about beat the check he adopted Rao's "barn door" tactics and won at 21-17. There after Rao forged ahead to win the third and fourth games.
In the doubles Mukund Rao and partner after losing the first game rallied to win the second and third, and lead in the fourth, but were unable to maintain this lead and lost the last two games.
Results.
Singles (Final):—T. E. Mukund Rao beat N. Balaram 21|9, 17|21, 21|16, 21|9.
Doubles (Final):—S. J. Khakar and V. E. Bodas beat T. N. Mukund Rao and C. Thomas 21|15, 18|2, 15|21, 21|15, 21|16.

BOMBER "NORTH ARCOT"
MADRAS, Aug. 27.
A further sum of five lakhs of rupees making a total of Rs. 125 lakhs to date has to-day been remitted for payment to the air ministry, London, from the Madras Governor's War Fund for the purchase of planes for the Madras squadrons. The air ministry has been requested to name one bomber "North Arcot".—A. P.

ST. LEGER CALLOVER
LONDON, August 26.
The following is the Saint Leger callover at Victoria Club:—
9/2 Mazarin taken and offered. 11/2 Owen Tudor offered 9/1 Chateau La Rose taken and offered. 100/8 Sun Castle, Orthodox and Royalist. 100/6 Bakhtawar. 20/1 Devonian, Throughfare, Felows and Dancingtime 22/1 Ptolemy. 25/1 Starwort, Firozedin and Lambert Simnel. 33/1 Fettes and Selimhassan. 40/1 Camperdown, all offered. 50/1 Reoyacademy taken and offered.
A NEW FAVOURITE
Recent impressive form found Bob Dawson's Mazarin favourite at to-day's Saint Leger callover when 9/2 was offered after 5/1 was taken.
The previous week's favourite Owen Tudor remained at 11/2 chance and little business was done.
The day's movements mainly concerned Mazarin, Chateau La Rose and Royalist for which money was freely taken.—Reuter.

Rovers Cup

CANTONMENT GYM. PESHAWAR & ROYAL INDIAN NAVY DRAW

The Rovers Cup match between the Cantonment Gymkhana, Peshawar and Royal Indian Navy ended in a draw on Wednesday evening at the Cooperage, each side scoring twice.
The game was of a colourless variety and there was little to enthuse over. The visitors started rather shakily but before the contest was many minutes old, they had a goal registered in their favour. Mohamed Hafiz, their centre forward, took a long range shot which the Naval custodian made no effort to save. Thereafte the fight went on in a ding-dong manner, neither side gaining any special advantage. The interval saw the Peshawar team leading by a goal.
The struggle went on in similar style in the second period until Mowat levelled up matters for the Navy. Although there were chances on both sides, no result came from them. Extra time was played and surprisingly enough two goals were scored in the first five minutes, Meade the Naval right half, made the mistake of passing a ball across the goal mouth, Shah, the visiting inside right, who was standing nearby, shoved it into the net. Soon after the Navy was presented with a goal. M. A. Shah, the Peshawar Custodian dallied with the ball of little when he was pushed over the line with the ball by Dixon. The match will be replayed on Friday
RESULT
CANTONMENT GYMKHANA PESHAWAR 2 goals.
ROYAL INDIAN NAVY 2 goals.
TEAMS
CANTONMENT GYMKHANA, PESHAWAR:—M. A. Shah, Agha Jan and Sohan Singh, M. Sarwar, Faquir Mohd and Dadu; Mohd. Sadib, T. A. Shah, Mohd. Hafiz, Abdul Waheeb and M. Amanulla.
ROYAL INDIAN NAVY:—Reid Lakin and Hall; Meade, Gidney and Webster; D'Couto, Dixon, Mowat, Boyle and Sen
Referee: S. A. Leach
TO-DAY'S MATCH
5-40 p.m. Shining Club, Peshawar, vs. B. B. and C. I. Railway.

POONA RACES

Handicaps For 1st Day

POONA: August 27.
The following are the handicaps for the Poona Races 1st day to be run on Saturday:—

THE CRITERION PLATE—Distance 6 furlongs: Good Fare 9/4, Usk 8/2, Let Slip 8/2, Fire Alarm 8/2, Golden Tiger 8/0, National Flat 8/0, Engaged 7/11, Dancing Comet 7/11, Bistoli 7/11, Caerioptic 7/9, Leander 7/1. (Total 11 horses)

THE BALDOYLE PLATE—Distance 1 mile and 1 furlong: San Francisco 9/0, Martara 9/0, Kingdom 9/0, Panaster 9/0, Monocle 8/12, Cockpit 8/12, Fox Hound 8/11, Golden Mantle 8/11, Gay Spaniard 8/11, Blandstar 8/11, Rossinver 8/9, Winning Lot 8/9, Faris II 8/9, Tail Story 8/9, Solmint 8/7, Flis De Vaais 8/7, Sitara 8/7, Torch Royal 8/6, Avon Song 8/6, Moorsotis 8/3, Earlioli 8/2, Shalivahan 8/2, Vandyke 7/11, Carabas 7/7. (Total 24 horses).

THE LINCOLN PLATE—Distance 1 1/4 miles: Archmoon 9/4, Flower of India 9/0, Eastern Banquet 9/0, Northern Lights 9/7, Chaljeet 8/6, Holly Garth 8/4, Sunny Morn 8/4, Camphor 8/2, Ministrone 8/2, Le Duc 8/2, Ishrat Sultana 8/2, High Lights 8/0, Kategayer 8/0, Cash 7/11, Lambeth Walk 7/11, Terrace 7/9, Meadow 7/9, Philtre 7/7, King of Sports 7/7. (Total 19).

THE BHAMBURDA PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 1 mile: Border Town 9/4, School Quad 8/11, Sporting King 8/11, American Beauty 8/9, Simara 8/9, Linguaphone 8/9, Little Son 8/8, Levant 8/8, Dante 8/8, Annarbala 8/7, Haut Ton 8/7, Vijai Kumari 8/6, Kirit 8/5, Royal Alliance 8/4, Serene Highness 8/1, Lena 8/0, Valentia Jinks 8/0, Best Luck 8/0, Koanga 7/11, Tavern 7/9, Honor M 7/4, Reliable 7/4, Mellowpore Drm. (Total 23 horses).

THE BHAMBURDA PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 1 mile: Cash Book 9/2, Gordon 9/0, La Concorde 8/13, Canvassall 8/13, Sance Anglaise 8/11, Adonis 8/9, Lord Clarion 8/9, Vezou 8/9, Clarify 8/7, Faiz 8/6, Virginia 8/6, How's That 8/4, None So Gay 8/4, Panna Prince 8/4, Fun of the Fayre 8/2, Aquafortis 8/2, Goolagong 8/0, Gay Nora 8/0, Langdon 8/0, Alan-a-Dale 8/0, Beau Geste 7/13, Radio Man 7/13, Talkless 7/13, Murdock 7/11. (Total 24 horses).

THE INDIAN BREEDERS' STAKES—Distance 1 mile: Fable 9/12, Advance 8/11, Maharaja's Choice 8/11, Eager Tit 8/11, Silver 8/11, Amulet 7/11, Double Oak 7/11, Ginger Biscuit 7/11, Solomon 7/9, Rose of Dewas 7/7, Fairy Queen 7/7, Summy Brass 7/4, Miss O.K. 7/4, Faila Number 7/4, Tomtit 7/4, Red Flower 7/4. (Total 15 horses).

THE YERAVDA PLATE—Distance 1 mile 1 furlong: Captain Blood 9/2, Ishtay 9/2, Trusty 9/0, Lakhpat 8/12, Turf King 8/11, Kilcash 8/9, Prominent 8/6, Hectic 8/6, Eastern Park 8/6, Laxmidhar 8/5, Dilkhush 8/5, Mahboob's Choice 8/4, Chu Wai Chu 8/4, Manmohan 8/2, What's Your's 8/0, Eminent 8/0, Tap Dance 7/11, Pratap 7/11, Queen of Sheeba 7/11, Finis 7/11, Flower of Gwalior 7/11, Hidden Treasure 7/11, Madam Pompadour (late Queen of Heart) 7/9, Hari Singh 7/9, Tyranny 7/4, Columbine 7/4, Miss Chief 7/4, Ginger Cat 7/4. (Total 26 horses).

H. H. THE FIRST AGA KHAN'S COMMEMORATION PLATE (Div. I)—Distance 1 1/4 miles: Seventh Heaven 9/12, Farug Pasha 9/0, Chief Ruler 8/11, Pushpamala 8/9, Assaf Mahmud 8/5, Ajinkya Tara 8/5, Hikmat Pasha 8/5, Firpo 8/2, Gold Deposit 8/0, Vasant Kumari 8/0, Banash Amer 8/0, King of Diamonds 7/11, Ubayan Faisal 7/11, Fadhil Minshad 7/10, Amar Jot 7/9, Tohalla 7/7, Royal Rival 7/7, Nasr Ghazi 7/7, Tamim Al Khair (late King Farouq) 7/7, Gazal 7/4, Legion II 7/4. (Total 21 horses).

H. H. THE FIRST AGA KHAN'S COMMEMORATION PLATE (Div. II)—Distance 1 1/4 miles: Rabdan 9/2, Snapper 9/2, Taj Mahal 8/13, Sheik Shallal 8/11, Dahman Fadhil 8/11, Marshal 8/8, Mashim 8/6, Nassar 8/6, Bon Amis 8/4, Qudum-al-Khair 8/4, Akhu Amin 8/4, Faraj Allah 8/4, Zein-al-Muluk 7/13, Lila (late Gubaila Aiwan) 7/13, Subhi Jazira 7/11, Ghussun-al-Ilah 7/11, Romantic Prince 7/8, Muwaffaq-al-Ilah 7/8, Dalil-al-Iraq 7/4. (Total 19 horses).—A. P.

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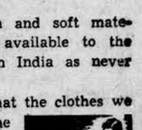
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MY GRANDFATHER! HE HAD HIS SKULL BROKE WITH A CORNET AT A PICNIC ONCE! -MM--

ON THE AIR

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

Bombay I—Programme

244 metres (1,231 kc/s)

7-30 a.m. Ghulam Rasool. 7-45 Mirabai Badkar. 8-5 News in Hindustani. 8-15 News in English. 8-25 Master Navrang. 8-40 News in Marathi. 8-50 News in Gujarati. 9 Air Trio. 9-10 Jagannathbuwa Pandharpurkar. 12-30 p.m. Melodies. 12-57 News in Hindustani. 1 Orchestras. 1-10 Devotees. 1-20 Mutual understanding. 1-30 News in English 1-35 Lunch hour music. 4-15 School broadcast. 5 To-morrow. 5-5 Mirabai Badkar. 5-25 News in Marathi. 5-30 News in Gujarati. 5-35 Ghulam Kasool. 5-50 Marathi pad. 6 News in English. 6-5 News in Hindustani. 6-10 Jagannathbuwa Pandharpurkar. 6-35 Air Quartet. 6-45 Nisar Ahmad. 7 Book review in Gujarati. 7-15 Tunes of the town. 7-25 Local news and announcements. 7-30 Kalindi Puntambekar. 7-45 Ebrahim. 7-55 News in Marathi. 8-10 News in Gujarati 8-25 News commentary. 8-30 The library movement. 8-45 At a quarter to. 9 News in Hindustani. 9-15 News commentary in Hindustani. 9-20 News in English. 9-30 B B C News relay. 9-45 War commentary. 9-55 Listening post. 10 Grace Belcourt. 10-15 Dunstan Roberts. 10-25 George Lester. 10-35 Hilda Flanders.

Bombay II—Programme

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

7-30 to 8-5 a.m. As in Bombay 1. 8-5 A variety. 8-15 Violin duets 8-25 to 8-40 As in Bombay 1. 8-40 Kalindi Puntambekar. 8-50 Brahmanand Bhajan. 9 to 9-30 As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

12-30 to 2-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1.

41.44 metres (7,240 kc/s)

4-15 to 5-25 p.m. As in Bombay 1. 5-25 Bhavgeet. 5-35 to 6 As in Bombay 1. 6 Instrumental music. 6-10 to 7-15 As in Bombay 1. 7-15 Interval.

61.46 metres (4,880 kc/s)

7-30 p.m. Commercial news. 7-45 to 7-55 As in Bombay 1. 7-55 Air Bhajan Mandali. 8-5 Master Navrang. 8-25 to 9 As in Bombay 1. 9 Bhajan. 9-10 Sindhi song. 9-20 Khayal and Thumri. 9-45 Pad and Dadra. 10-10 Khayal and Tarana.

Delhi I—Programme

338.6 metres (886 kc/s)

4-30 p.m. For Indian troops in the Far East. 5 Asad Ali Khan. 5-20 Mohammad Shafi. 5-35 Tamancha Jan. 5-50 M. S. Sharma. 6-15 Dhani Ram. 6-30 Dhanasri on sitar. 6-40 Irshad Ali. 6-55 Manohar. 7 Tamancha Jan. 7-15 Europe Ke Manchale Sipahi. 5. 7-30 Asad Ali Khan. 7 45 For villagers only. 8-30 For the Universities. 8-45 Do geet. 9-45 It has happened. 9-50 M. S. Sharma. 10 Tamancha Jan. 10-15 Dhani Ram. 10-25 Asad Ali Khan.

Indian Cotton Crop 5 Million Bales

A Liverpool cable states:

Although Manchester shippers have received cloth quotas covering a four month period of difficult yarn situation stops manufacturers booking an sizeable additional export business. Under present conditions spinners are unwilling to sell for delivery after the end October owing to uncertainty of size and raw material allotments. It is understood that representations have been made to control suggesting extension of raw cotton allocations to cover a longer period. Bombay advices indicate Indian new crop prospects as uneven with a yield possibly of around 5 million bales. Indian shipments to Japan against old contracts may reach 200,000 bales.

General Buying On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

WIDESPREAD INSECT DAMAGE

Market Action Impressive After The Veto

BOMBAY, August 27.

On Tuesday there was general buying on the New York Cotton Exchange due to widespread insect damage. The action of the market was impressive after Presidential veto of the Freezing Bill.

At last the Freezing Bill is now out of sight due to Presidential Veto. The market took no notice as there were alarming reports of insect damage and unfavourable weather over the U. S. Cotton Belt.

This year the cotton crop being late naturally is more influenced by weather conditions and persistent showers over half of the belt encouraged weevil activity and it is generally felt that the damage is increasing and the yield will be reduced.

While on the other side record consumption is showing good deal of statistical strength and the market firmly looks for 20 cents level eventually. It is true that the loan cotton will be offered ultimately which may check rise but at the moment the market is full of speculative activity and the next Bureau will provide an effective guide.

NEW YORK MARKET

There was trade demand, Wall Street and New Orleans buying due to widespread insect damage report and steadiness of stocks and commodities caused early advance with southern selling and profit-taking encountered renewed support and buyers were impressed by the action of the market after the veto. Chicago grains were firm in sympathy with the strength of cotton combined with the elimination of uncertainties regarding the Freezing Bill and the possibility of Congressional farm leaders taking a further steps to support hedging.

At the opening October was 4 points up at 16.40 which was the lowest level. Thereafter there was increased buying and October advanced to 16.72 which was the highest level. The market finally closed at a net rise of 35 to 42 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 36 point- at 17.30c. per lb.

NEW ORLEANS MARKET

The New Orleans cotton futures market was also firm on active buying and closed at a rise of 32 to 43 points. Spot cotton prices advanced 31 points at 16.36c. per lb.

MARKET OUTLOOK

Messrs Anandilal Podar and Co. state:—Demise of Smith Freezing Bill on presidential veto found no mourners. Because such hide-bound measures had their own value. What will be interesting hereafter is weather. If it is favourable, trade demand will be on scale down, or unfavourable such buying should stimulate and offset expanding hedge sales. Last few months foreign political events had very little influence on prices, as the supply and demand equation is so well balanced, no outside influence can damage it. Possible month-end reduced crop estimates and call fixing may sustain prices.

Despite mud-slinging recriminations in the Far East, screened peace moves in Washington seem to be protected. Large Jute orders in Calcutta and prospects of despatching war materials to Russia via Iran enlivening sentiments. Realizing may come but undertone seems robust in sympathy with other commodities for further advance.

PRIVATE CABLES—

August 25:—

New York October highest (12-14 p.m.) ..... 16.42+06

New York October lowest (1-23 p.m.) ..... 16.25—11

August 26:—

New York October highest (3 p.m.) ..... 16.72+36

New York October lowest (10 a.m.) ..... 16.40+04

Messrs. Chunilal Mehta and Co Ltd have received to-day the following cable information from their foreign friends:

New York: Market strong on unfavourable weather reports and Wall Street buying.

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, August 26

October	16.72+36
December	16.88+36
January	16.88+36
March	17.05+36
May	17.11+39
July	17.07+42
Middling Spot	17.30+36

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

New York, August 26

October	16.70+32
December	16.90+32
January	16.96+34
March	17.11+36
May	17.17+39
July	17.12+43
Middling Spot	16.36+31

NEW YORK COTTON

New York, August 26

11 a.m call. Noon call

October	16.51	16.59
December	16.79	16.78
March	16.97	16.95

NEW YORK COTTON DAILY STATISTICS

New York, August 26

Day's receipts at all U S Ports 12,000 bales

Bengal Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. 1,00,00,000 (one crore only) of three months' Government of Bengal Treasury Bills will be received at the offices of the Reserve Bank of India, Bombay and Calcutta up to 1 p.m. (S.T.) on Monday, the 1st September 1941.

Successful tenderers will be required to make payment and take up their bills on Wednesday, the 3rd September 1941.

LONDON RUBBER

London, August 26

London smoked sheet standard ribbed per lb 13 3/4

BOMBAY COTTON

Bombay, August 27

Following a rise of 36 points in New York cotton futures, the local market opened to-day at Rs. 271 for Broach A/M delivery and improved to Rs. 271/8 on scattered buying. At this level there was some realising and prices declined to Rs. 269/4 but again rallied to Rs. 270/8. The market was steady at this level with a moderate business.

Thereafter there was improved buying and prices advanced to Rs. 272. There was renewed selling and prices eased off to Rs. 269/8. Later on there was some selling and prices declined to Rs. 268/4 The market closed at 5 p.m. as under:—

Broach A/M	.....	Rs.	268 12 0
Oomra D/J	.....		208 12 0
Bengal D/J	.....		158 0 0

COTTON ROOM-RATES

Bombay August 27

	Extra Sprfine	Sup	Fine	FG	Good
M G Broach No. 2	240	237	234	232	
M G Punjab-Ameri	295	292	289	287	
M G Surat	369	366	363	361	
M G Rajpipla	365	362	359	356	
M G Navsari	377	374	371	369	

READY COTTON QUOTATIONS

Bombay, August 27

Bengal Fine	163-66
Berar	201-06
C. P. 1	233-36
C. P. 2	211-13
Khandesh	161-81
Muglai	181-85
Broach	236-41
Broach Low	211-15

INDIAN COTTON FIGURES.

Bombay, August 27

RECEIPTS INTO BOMBAY

Since 1st Sept.

In full-pressed bales.

2 days.	This year	Last year
Khandesh	100,995	55,591
Central India	149,594	109,361
Barsi and Nagar	124,795	114,113
Hyderabad/Gaorani	50,825	48,009
Berar	386,445	318,618
Central Provinces	78,005	76,952
Total Oomras	890,659	722,659
Dholeras	102,202	89,297
N W Provinces	2,049	26,079
Rajputana	5,778	35,228
Sind-Punjab 265	576,729	385,736
Broach 5	299,930	409,044
Coompta & Dharwar 569	154,149	52,653
Westerns-Northerns ...	112,535	37,881
Cocoanada	339	86
Tinnevelly & Cambodia	16,996	1,412
Total	840 2,154,204	1,760,075
Arrived by road to 21st August 1941	371,133	399,387

AMERICAN COTTON FIGURES.

	1941-42	1940-41
F P Bales		
Receipts to date 26-8-41	248000	286000
Receipts yesterday 26-8-41	12000	15000
Export to date 22-8-41	36000	41000
Stock at Ports 22-8-41	3150000	2518000
Stock at Interior Towns 22-8-41	2038000	1889000
Stock at Liverpool 22-8-41	.....	.....
Visible Supply 22 8-41		
Quantity in sight 22-8-41	398000	342000
Quantity out of sight 22-8-41		

TEJI-MANDI PREMIUMS

Bombay, August 27

Wheat January	.....	0	7 0
Wheat May	.....	0	13 0
Linseed May	.....	1	5 0
Groundnut February	.....	6	0 0
Castorseed September	.....	2	0 0
Castorseed May	.....	7	0 0
Cottonseed September	.....	0	12 0
Cottonseed January	.....	2	12 0
Silver 1st settlement	.....	0	7 0
Silver 2nd settlement	.....	0	14 0
Gold 1st settlement	.....	0	4 0
Gold 2nd settlement	.....	0	8 0

COTTON PARITY

Broach A/M below New York May cent points at 331. 667

HIGH AND LOW COTTON PRICES

Bombay, August 25

Broach A/M highest 269 1/4 lowest 264 closing 267

Oomra D/J highest 211 lowest 207 1/2 closing 208 3/4

Bengal D/J highest 161 1/2 lowest 158 closing 158 1/2

PEPPER & GINGER

Bombay, August 27

Pepper ready per candy	.....	98	0 0
Pepper Bhadarva Sudi 15 per candy		94	8 0
Pepper Maha Sudi 15 per candy	..	100	8 0
Ginger ready bleached	.....	32	0 0
Ginger Maha Sudi 15	.....	31	8 0

BOMBAY METALS

Bombay, August 27

Yellow metal sheets	.....	Rs. 89	0 0
Copper sheets	.....	Rs. 86	0 0

Tone:—Steady.

LINSEED AND WHEAT.

Bombay, August 27

Linseed September	.....	6	9 0
Linseed May	.....	9	11 0
Wheat September	.....	4	15 9
Wheat January	.....	5	4 3
Wheat May	.....	6	9 9

GROUNDNUTS AND SEEDS

Bombay, August 27

Groundnuts August—			
Opening	.....	Rs. 43	0 0
Highest	.....	43	0 0
Lowest	.....	42	12 0
Closing	.....	42	12 0
Groundnuts February—			
Opening	.....	47	4 0
Highest	.....	48	2 0
Lowest	.....	46	12 6
Closing	.....	46	13 6
Cottonseed September—			
Opening	.....	24	12 0
Highest	.....	25	2 0
Lowest	.....	24	11 0
Closing	.....	24	12 6
Castorseeds May—			
Opening	.....	26	14 0
Highest	.....	27	0 6
Lowest	.....	26	6 6
Closing	.....	26	7 6
Castorseeds September—			
Opening	.....	41	8 0
Highest	.....	41	10 0
Lowest	.....	40	12 0
Closing	.....	41	4 0
Cottonseeds January—			
Opening	.....	44	8 0
Highest	.....	44	14 0
Lowest	.....	44	2 0
Closing	.....	44	12 0

PRODUCE MARKET

Bombay, August 27

The local seeds market was very steady to-day with moderate buying. Absence of rain in some parts is causing anxiety and new buyers are pouring in. Groundnuts February opened at Rs. 47/4 and after advancing to Rs. 48/2 declined to Rs. 47/8 but again steadied at Rs. 47/12. Castorseeds September were quoted at Rs. 41/8 and May was quoted at Rs. 44/8. Cottonseed January opened at Rs. 26/13 and after advancing to Rs. 27 reacted to Rs. 26/14. Linseed September opened at Rs. 6/9/9 and improved to Rs. 6/10/3 but reacted to Rs. 6/9/3. May delivery opened at Rs. 9/12 and after improving to Rs. 9/12/6 reacted to Rs. 9/11/9. Wheat September opened at Rs. 5/0/3 and steadied at Rs. 5 while January opened at Rs. 5/4/6 and sagged to Rs. 5/4/3. May was quoted at Rs 5/9/6. The tone was steady.

In ready market groundnuts bold and Madras were done at Rs. 8/7 and Castorseeds were done at Rs. 8/1. Linseed Spot was sold at Rs. 8/14 and Wheat Delhi Picci were done at Rs. 6/12 and Karachi Bangia at Rs. 6/12/6.

Electric Output

Messrs. Tata Hydro-Electric Agencies Limited, Agents for The Tata Hydro-Electric Power Supply Co. Ltd. The Andhra Valley Power Supply Co. Ltd., and The Tata Power Company, Limited, report that the total electrical (Board of Trade) units generated at the three Power Stations (Khopoli, Bhivpuri and Bhira) of the Hydro Group were as follows:—

34th Week (ended August 26th)

1939	14,159,400
1940	15,633,200
1941	20,092,500
Total for 34 Weeks (1st January to date)	
1939	456,391,100
1940	480,815,000
1941	631,142,300

GOLD AND SILVER

Bombay, August 27

Yesterday London gold was unchanged at £8-8-0. Dollar sterling cross rate was 4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2 at London and 4.03 1/4 at New York.

London Spot silver was unchanged at 23 1/2d. and forward quotation was also unchanged at 23 1/2d. New York Spot silver was unchanged at 34 3/4 cents. London Bombay Spot and forward silver parity was Rs. 62-10-3. The local market was closed and nominal quotations were as under:

GOLD

Ready	..... Rs.	42	1 9
Bhadarva	.....	42	1 9
Aso	.....	42	1 0
Sovereigns	.....	28	7 6

SILVER

Ready	.....	62	13 6
Bhadarva	.....	62	14 0
Aso	.....	62	14 6

LONDON SILVER

London, August 26

Spot	.....	23 1/2
Forward	.....	23 1/2

LONDON GOLD

London, August 26

Gold Bars Fine per oz £8-8-0

LONDON SEEDS

London, August 26

Rozario Santa Fe August quoted	21/10 1/2
Barletta Russo August quoted	26/9
South Australian August quoted	27/6

WALL-STREET MARKET.

New York, August 26

Messrs. Batlivala and Karani have issued the following quotations of the New York Stock Exchange:

	Dollars
Electric Bond & Share dol 5 Pfd ...	54
Electric Power and Lt Pfd	35
American Telephone & Telegraph ...	154 5/8
Western Union Telegraph	28 1/4
New York Central R R	12 7/8
New York Central 5 per cent 2013	60 1/2
Union Pacific R R	81 1/4
Texas Corporation	41 3/4
Dupont de Nemours	157
Eaton Manufacturing	33
National City Bank of New York	27
N. Y. Chicago and St. Louis 6 per cent Pfd	44
Australia 5 per cent 1965	71 1/4
United States Steel	57 3/4
Crucible Steel	40 1/2
Crucible Steel Pfd	87
Bethlehem Steel	69
Anaconda Copper Mining	28 3/4
Int Nickel of Canada	27 1/8
Chrysler Motors	56 5/8
General Motors	38 5/8
Socony	9 1/8
Consolidated Oil	5 7/8
Sears Roebuck	72 1/2
Gillette Safety Razor 7 per cent Pfd	44
Loews Incorporated	36 1/4

SUGAR MARKET

Bombay, August 27

Fine White Java sugar per cwt:

September From Bond Rs. 13-0-0

Shipment June Rs. 9-12-0 F B H

Shipment September Rs. 9-8-0 F B H

Indian sugars ready:—

Ready (ordinary) Rs. 14-12-0 to 15-3-0

Ready (large grain) Rs. 15-4-0 to 16-12-0

Tone:—Steady.

National Bank Of India

The local office of the National Bank of India has received telegraphic advice from London office that an interim dividend has been declared at the rate of 15 per cent per annum, less income-tax, payable on Sept. 25.

SHIPPING NEWS

IMPORTS

Bombay, August 27

10069 bales raw cotton; 179 cases phosphorus; 3950 drums spramex; 989 drums mexphalte; 5874 bags dry dates; 84 boxes wet dates; 16069 bags sugar.

EXPORTS

Bombay, August 27

6000 bales raw cotton Kilachand Devchand and Co Ltd; 8762 bales raw cotton T M Kaisha Ltd; 20 cases cardamoms D Abraham and Sons; 961 bags celery seeds D Abraham and Sons; 766 bags cummin seed D Abraham and Sons; 532 bags sesame seed D Abraham and Sons; 103 bales goat hair D Abraham and Sons; 86 bales cotton pcegoods S R Pusalkar and Co; 14 bales cotton tea towel S R Pusalkar and Co; 12 bales cotton prints D Abraham and Sons; 20 bales art silk pcegoods and ctn pce goods M Didas and Sons; 35 casks rosin Wilkinson Heywood and Clark; 100 bags kamala powder D Abraham and Sons; 294 bags henna powder D Abraham and Sons; 3000 tons manganese ore James Finlay and Co Ltd; 24 bales cotton pcegoods Sapt Textile Products (India) Ltd; 20 bales cotton pcegoods Cox and Kings (Agents); 70 bales cotton pcegoods B Balwant and Co; 250 bs cotton pcegoods The Tata Mills Ltd; 132 bales cotton pcegoods Herbertsons Ltd; 504 bags cummin seed Gorakharam Gokalchand; 118 bags plantago seed D Abraham and Sons; 135 bags berries D Abraham and Sons; 18 bags squill roots D Abraham and Sons; 453 bales d/s goat skins D Abraham and Sons; 244 casks w/s goat skins D Abraham and Sons; 90 bales d/s sheep skins D Abraham and Sons; 80 bags dry ginger H K Kothawala.

MONEY MARKET

Bombay, August 27

LONDON:—

Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 7/32 Two months.

Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 1/4 Three months.

Banks buying 90 days/St. 1/6 9/32 Four months.

B. C. RATES:—

T T 1/5 29/32; D D 1/5 29/32

Banks selling T T 1/5 15/16; D D 1/5 15/16

Banks buying T T 1/6d; D D 1/5 3/32

NEW YORK:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 333 1/4 D D Rs. 333 1/4

Banks buying T T Rs. 330; D D Rs. 328 1/2

Cross Rates Dol 4.02 1/2 3 1/8

MONTREAL:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 303; D D Rs. 303

Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4; D D Rs. 296 1/4

Cross Rates Dol 4.43/47

JAVA:—

Banks selling T T Gld 58 3/4; D D Gld 60.

Banks buying T T Gld 57 1/2; D D Gld 57 1/2

Cross Rates Gld 7.58/62

JAPAN:—

Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting

Banks buying T T not quoting; D D not quoting.

Cross Rates Sh 1/2 1/2

BERNE:—

Banks selling T T Fcs 125 3/4; D D nil.

Banks buying T T Fcs 131 1/2; D D nil

Cross Rates Fcs 17.30/40

STOCKHOLM:—

Banks selling T T K 123, D D K 123

Banks buying T T K 128; D D K 128

Cross Rates K 15.85/95

SINGAPORE:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 158; D D Rs. 158

Banks buying T T Rs. 155; D D Rs. 155

Cross Rates Sh 2/4 5/32 7/32

HONGKONG:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 85 1/4; D D Rs. 84 1/2

Banks buying T T Rs. 81 1/8; D D Rs. 81 1/2

Cross Rates Sh 1/3 1/32

SHANGHAI:—

Banks selling T T not quoting; D D not quoting.

Banks buying T T not quoting; D D not quoting

Cross Rates Sh. 0-3 3/16

MEXICO:—

Banks selling T T Rs. 67.27; D D Rs. 66.27

Banks buying T T Rs. 63.04; D D Rs. 62.04

Cross Rates Pes. 19.5, 21.5.

LISBON:—

Banks selling T T Esc 7.35 nom; D D Esc 7.35 nom.

Banks buying T T Esc 7.55; D D Esc 7.55

Cross Rate Esc 99.80, 100.20

NEW YORK:—

Cross Rates Dol 4.03 1/4

Japan Banks buying 60 days not quoting

Tone of Sterling Exchange: Steady.

Gold £8-8-0 Ready.

New York Silver 34 3/4

London Silver 23 1/2 Ready; 23 1/2 Forward.

London Discounts 3 months 1 1/16 per cent

London Discounts 6 months 1 1/4 per cent

Reserve Bank Rate 3 per cent.

Bank of England Rate 2 per cent.

Money:—Call unquoted.

1 to 2 months 1/4 per cent.

3 to 6 months 1/2 per cent.

9 months 3/4 per cent.

Tone of Money Market:—Very easy.

RESERVE BANK OF INDIA

Statement of the affairs of the Reserve Bank of India, Banking Department as on the 22nd August, 1941:—

LIABILITIES. Rs.

Capital paid up	5,00,00,000
Reserved Fund	5,00,00,000
Deposits:—	
(a) Government	
(a) Central Govt. of India	5,58,56,000
(2) Government of Burma	2,94,94,000
(3) Other Govt. Accounts	4,43,39,000
(b) Banks	41,74,45,000
(c) Others	4,79,40,000
Bills Payable	19,25,000
Other Liabilities	1,19,05,000
Rupees	70,89,04,000

ASSETS. Rs.

Notes:—	
(a) Legal Tender in India	15,84,25,000
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	33,98,000
Rupee Coin	7,82,000
Subsidiary Coin	3,54,000
Bills Purchased and Discounted:—	
(a) Internal	
b) External	
(c) Govt. Treasury Bills	43,97,000
Balances held abroad*	45,45,22,000
Loans and Advances to Govts. ...	10,00,000
Other Loans and Advances	
Investments	7,58,97,000
Other Assets	1,01,29,000
Rupees	70,89,04,000

*Includes Cash and Short term Securities.

An account pursuant to the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, for the week ended the 22nd day of August, 1941:—

ISSUE DEPARTMENT

LIABILITIES. Rs. Rs.

Notes held in the Banking Department		16,18,23,000
Notes in circulation:—		
(a) Legal Tender in India	257,69,96,000	
(b) Legal Tender in Burma only	18,80,61,000	
Total Notes Issued		292,68,79,000
Total Liabilities		292,68,79,000

ASSETS. Rs. Rs.

A. Gold Coin and Bullion:—		
(a) Held in India ...	44,41,43,000	
(b) Held outside India		
Sterling Securities ...	131,62,76,000	
Total of A.		176,04,19,000
B. Rupee Coin		38,15,44,000
Govt. of India Rupee Securities		78,49,16,000
Internal Bills of Exchange and other commercial Paper		
Total Assets		292,68,79,000

Ratio of Total of A to Liabilities: 60.147 per cent.

London Stock Exchange

London, August 26

The Stock Exchange had a quite steady day, the markets mostly overriding the tendency to marktime; but home rails also oils, including Anglo-Iranian and Mexeagles, developed firmness towards close on resumption of interest. Jap bonds continued to improve and Brazilians were also firmer on renewed enquiry. Industrials maintained previous levels and Kaffirs fluctuated idly. Wall Street steady and featureless.

Bombay Stock Exchange Closed

Bombay, August 27

The Bombay Stock Exchange was closed to-day owing to Jain holiday.

Wall Street market was steady on Tuesday. U. S. Steel shares closed 1/2 up at 57 3/4 and Anaconda Copper shares gained 1/4 at 23 3/4 General Motors were steady at a rise of 1/2 at 39 1/8 dollars.

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE CLOSED

Bombay, August 27

The market remained closed to-day owing to a Jain holiday.

BOMBAY YARN QUOTATIONS.

HEDGE CONTRACT RATES

Bombay: August 27.

Yarn No.	August	Octbr.	Decmbr.
6 1/2s.	201	202	203
10 1/2s.	225	226	227
20 1/2s.	310	314	315
40s.	530	535	540

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGES

London, August 26

Rupee paper 3 1/2 per cent	£69 1/2
Indian stock 3 per cent 1948	89 3/4
Indian stock 3 1/2 per cent 1931 or later	98 1/2
Consols 2 1/2 per cent	81 11/16
Conversion loan 3 1/2 per cent 1961	105 1/16
War loan 3 1/2 per cent	105 1/16
Funding loan 4 per cent 1960/90	114 3/8
Victory bonds 4 per cent	111 5/8
Chartered Bank of I A and China	9 1/4
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London reg)	98
National Bank of India	£32 1/2

ALL-INDIA RAINFALL

POONA: August 27.

The All-India Weather Chart upto the 8 hours on Wednesday with temperature maximum and minimum; rainfall for past 24 hours; since 1st June and departure from the normal is as under:—

Stations.	Maximum	Minimum	Rainfall for 24 hrs.	Since 1st June	Departure from normal.
Chittagong	82	79	0.0	62.3	+ 1.9
Calcutta	92	78	0.0	56.2	+20.6
Ranchi	77	72	0.7	53.9	+17.5
Patna	83	77	3.8	25.3	— 6.4
Benares	86	76	0.6	15.4	—11.7
Allahabad	93	76	0.0	14.1	.....
Cawnpore	97	76	0.6	14.8	— 9.0
Lucknow	95	80	0.1	16.9	— 8.5
Agra	100	81	0.0	11.4	— 7.1
Delhi	99	81	0.0	7.9	— 9.3
Ambala	95	80	0.0	15.2	— 2.6
Sialkot	94	78	0.0	14.9	— 3.4
Rawalpindi	95	77	0.0	20.1	+ 2.0
Multan	101	82	0.0	1.7	— 2.8
Peshawar	98	79	0.0	2.3	— 1.4
Dehra I. Khan	101	81	0.0	4.2	— 0.3
Jubbulpore	90	75	0.0	31.7	— 8.3
Fort Sandeman	96	72	0.0	3.1	— 1.4
Nagpur	93	76	0.0	32.0	— 0.7
BOMBAY	88	80	0.0	27.8	—25.7
Poona	87	71	0.0	16.3	+ 1.1
Sholapur	96	74	T	7.3	— 5.5
Hyderabad Dn.	91	76	0.0	9.4	— 7.1
Mysore	84	67	0.0	8.1	.....
Calicut	84	77	0.0	76.4	— 2.2
Madras	98	79	0.0	7.0	— 2.7
Simla	71	59	0.0	36.4	— 3.6
Pachmarhi	78	66	0.0	50.9	— 3.4
Colombo	86	79	T	17.2	+ 1.3
Bhavnagar	96	76	0.0	25.1	+10.0
Karachi	87	80	0.0	1.8	— 3.6
Rajkot	94	75	0.0	19.6	— 0.6
Ahmedabad	90	77	0.0	43.2	+20.1
Bhopal	87	72	0.0	26.0	.....
Indore	88.6	71	0.0	27.2	+ 4.6
Marmagoa	83	78	0.0	41.1	.....
Mahableshwar	66	61	0.1	169.4	—49.0
Baroda	91	76	0.0	38.1	.....
Belgaum	81	67	0.0	36.4	+ 3.3
Dalhousie	75	67	0.0	46.5	— 2.9
Mount Abu	72	64	0.0	50.9	+14.6
Ootacamund	68	53	0.1	32.7	+ 2.3
Jodhpur	90	74	0.0	6.3	— 2.8
Gwalior	92	79	0.0	9.9	.....

T indicates rainfall from 1 to 4 cents.—A.P.

WIDESPREAD RAINFALL

Thunder-storms In Southern Half Of Peninsula

POONA: August 27.

Locally heavy rain has fallen in Bihar and North Bengal. There has also been local thunderstorm activity in the extreme South of the Peninsula. Rainfall has been widespread in Assam, Bihar, East United Provinces and local in Bengal, Chota Nagpur, Kumaon Hills and North Madras Coast. A few falls occurred in East and North Punjab, Malabar, Southeast Madras, North Hyderabad, Madras Deccan.

COLABA OBSERVATORY BOMBAY

Summary of Meteorological Observations during 24 hours ending 8 a.m. of 27-8-1941.

Change of 8 a.m. barometer in past 24 hours +.006 inches

Temperature (dry bulb) at 8 a.m. 82.1 degrees.

Temperature (wet bulb) at 8 a.m. 78.1 degrees.

Maximum temperature during 24 hours 87.8 degrees (2.7 above normal)

Minimum temperature during 24 hours 79.6 degrees (3.9 above normal)

Relative humidity at 8 a.m. 83 per cent.

Direction of wind at 8 a.m. SW

Velocity of wind at 8 a.m. 3 miles per hour

Total movement of wind in 24 hours 58 miles.

Velocity of maximum gust of wind during 24 hours 13 miles per hour

Extent of cloud at 8 a.m. (the whole sky cloudy eq. 10) 5

Rain in 24 hours 0.00 inches.

Total rainfall during the month 5.72 inches.

Total rainfall during the year 27.91 inches.

OFFICIAL BAROMETER READING

DATED 27-8-41

At 8-7 a.m. local time (8-46 a.m. Indian Standard Time) and temperature 84.1 deg. F., a mercury barometer without index error at mean sea level would actually read 29.98 inches and a compensated aneroid 29.77 inches.

For correction of ships' instruments please subtract from the above official barometer reading 0.001" for every foot of elevation of the instrument above mean sea level.

LONDON EXCHANGES

London, August 26

T T London on:—	
New York	4.02 1/2 to 4.03 1/2
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Berne	17.30/17.40
Stockholm	16.85/16.95

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Expansion Of Council Is Greatest Folly

Will Defeat Purpose For Which It Is Effected, Declares Qaid-e Azam

The resolutions adopted by the Working Committee of the All-India Muslim League which concluded its sittings on Tuesday, are regarded by political observes as a triumph for Mr. M. A. Jinnah and the Muslim League.

It is felt that the League is making a bold bid to strengthen and consolidate itself as a political organisation.

It is considered that the League has definitely ceased to be a loose political group and is becoming a close-knit and effective organisation.

The fundamental attitude of the League towards the whole scheme of expansion of the Viceroy's Executive Council and the setting up of the National Defence Council was voiced by Mr. Jinnah when he met representatives of the press to-day.

"In my opinion," he said, "the present decision taken by Government regarding the expansion and reconstruction of the Executive Council and the setting up of the so-called National Defence Council is the greatest folly.

It is universally condemned throughout the country and it should be obvious, at any rate to those who are on the spot, that instead of its helping the war efforts which is the set purpose, it has created far-reaching bitterness and opposition.

IRRESPONSIBLE.

Equally, the irresponsible observation and 'obiter dicta' of Mr. L. S. Amery with regard to the Muslim League proposal of partition, when we are not yet engaged in the consideration of the future constitution of India, have created great apprehensions in the minds of Muslims and I cannot understand how a responsible minister is allowed to pre-judge any proposal as to the future problem of India's constitution, contrary to the solemn declaration of August 8, 1940 and Mr. Amery's own pronouncement of August 14, 1940 and April 22, 1941 with regard to the pledge given to the people of India."

REASIGN FOR ACTION

Explaining the principles underlying the action of the League in calling upon these who had joined either the Viceroy's Executive Council or the National Defence Council to resign therefrom, Mr. Jinnah said:—

"The question for the Working Committee and the Muslim League organisation was, in its essence, and the gravamen of the complaint against those members of the Muslim League who accepted the nomination to the so-called National Defence Council and the scheme of the reconstruction of the Viceroy's Executive Council, within the terms of the August offer, is based on the fundamental principle that while associating themselves with the scheme, they have violated the express decision of the League which rejected the proposal of the Viceroy on similar lines, that was made to the League, by the resolution of the Working Committee of the League on September 28, 1940, and confirmed by the Council of the League on September, 29, 1940.

"The other point was that they did it secretly without reference to the leader and the Executive of the organisation. On those two grounds, the Working Committee who considered the question of what action should be taken, were unanimously of the opinion that the members who had associated themselves with the scheme were wrong. Therefore the Committee decided that they should resign."

League Becoming Self-Centred And Dictatorial

Resignations Weaken Viceroy's Authority

LONDON, August 27.

To-day's leading article in the "Birmingham Post" states "As had been foreseen the Muslim League's Working Committee has called upon the Prime Ministers of Bengal, the Punjab and Assam to withdraw from the Viceroy's National Defence Council; and two of the three—Sir Sikander Hyat Khan and Sir Muhammad Saadullah have at once—we must not say tamely—signified their willingness or at any rate their preparedness to comply with the committee's order. The third—Mr. Fazlul Huq of Bengal—will presumably follow their example.

He has been given ten days to "consider his position" and avert the necessity for "disciplinary" action; but it will readily be understood that failing compliance with its decree the League could make his position in Bengal extremely uncomfortable.

So at the best the Viceroy's Council is weakened and its authority impaired by the withdrawal of the most appropriate, if not the only fit and proper representatives of the three of the provinces still in possession of constitutionally provided Governmental machinery: and Mr. Amery's plan for co-operation in the common cause sustains a sharp setback.

He will not be wholly surprised for the Muslim League these days is showing itself as self-centred and as dictatorial as the Congress itself. He will be disappointed however: for men who are now showing themselves unable to set the vital interest of India before the fancied interest of party knew well what sort of criticism would be directed against them when they accepted office; and he must have hoped at least that they would prove strong enough to maintain their ground.

Since they have failed, the Viceroy will presumably look elsewhere before concluding that India must go without encouragement and practical assistance towards the combined effort which his war time council was—and still is—intended to supply.

But much will be lost by the withdrawal of members who are also constitutionally responsible political leaders; and meanwhile the relations as between the League and the Congress will not be sweetened but rather the reverse."—Reuter.

SIND PREMIER ON HIS GRAVE RESPONSIBILITY

"Accepted Seat On Defence Council In Interest Of Province"

KARACHI, August 26.

"In view of the grave responsibility and also in view of the international situation and the vulnerable position of Sind in general and Karachi in particular, I felt in the interest of the province that I should accept a seat on the National Defence Council," declared the Premier, Khan Bahadur Allahbaksh, in an interview to the Associated Press asked what steps he proposed to take in view of the Muslim League resolution.

The Premier pointed out that the decision of those Muslim Premiers who belong to the Muslim League and are committed to follow its mandate to resign from the Council cannot be a determining factor in his case. The governing factor so far as he was concerned, he added, was the duty he owed to his supporters in the Sind Legislature to whose suffrages including the Congress party in the Assembly he owed his return to the Premiership of the Province.

NO SECTIONAL CONSIDERATIONS

Proceeding, he said "the fact that I have returned to that office as a result of my having received the support of all communities and all political parties represented in the Sind Legislature with the exception of the Muslim League Party imposes upon me the distinct obligation that in all public matters, I should be solely guided by the interests of the province as a whole and not by any partisan, communal or sectional considerations whatsoever".

He added, "When I came back to my present office, it was with the general desire of the province that I should bring about peace and goodwill and a feeling of security among the various creeds and communities in the province. Having regard to that grave responsibility and also in view of the international situation and the vulnerable position of Sind in general and Karachi in particular, I felt that it was in the interest of the province that I should accept a seat on the National Defence Council.

IN PREMIER'S CAPACITY

Before I accepted the appointment it was made perfectly clear between me and His Excellency the Governor of Sind that my going on the Defence Council was purely in my capacity as the Premier of the Province and there was no doubt or question in either our minds that I was being asked in this capacity and in no other. Whether I am the Premier or whether any other member of the Sind Legislature holds that office, the Premier must fully protect the vital interests of the province. Since my duty as the Premier as already stated makes it incumbent upon me to represent the interests of my province in all matters vitally affecting its well-being, the question of my resignation from the Defence Council does not arise."

Concluding, he said, the only parties whose views I should have to regard in coming to a decision on this matter are my supporters in the Sind Legislature whether belonging to my own party or to the Congress.—A. P.

Sepoy Nasib Singh of a famous Sikh Regiment who is only 18 years of age has been awarded the Indian Distinguished Service Medal for bravery in Keren in last March. He climbed the rocky mountains, surprised the enemy and caused many casualties. Here he is seen receiving congratulations from other members of his Regiment.

League Developments "Pleasing" To Savarkar

Let Muslim Ministries Also Be Dissolved, Thereby Doing A Good Turn To Their Hindu Brethren, Pleads Mahasabha Chief

BOMBAY, Aug. 27.

The following statement has been issued by Mr. V. D. Savarkar, President of the Hindu Mahasabha, regarding the resolutions passed by the Moslem League:—

"It is pleasing to note that Sir Sikandar Hayat Khan and several other members of the Moslem League have resigned their seats on the Indian National Defence Council and that Mr. Fazlul Huq and all those members of the League who have joined the Defence Advisory Committee or the Central Executive Council are going to be compelled to resign their seats too before long. May I suggest in a friendly spirit that the Moslem League should now, to be consistent with its tenets, call upon Sir Sikandar, Mr. Huq and Sir Sadullah Khan to resign their premierships too which are even more tainted with the sin of helping the war efforts of the British Government before they have brought the Pakistan into being.

PAKISTAN DEMAND

The League is quite clear on the point that it wants to exert as much pressure by these resignations on the British Government as it possibly can, to force the latter to accede to the Pakistan demand. That purpose could better be served by refusing to take any part whatsoever in forming ministries or conducting provincial Governments. The League thereby would kill two birds with one stone.

By dissolving the Moslem Ministries in all the three provinces and by refusing to participate in new ones, the League will, on the one hand, succeed in bending the Government to their knees,—if it is ever possible to do so by such means,—and will, on the other hand, do a good turn to its Hindu brethren in all the three provinces by granting them their desire to give a hearty send off to these Moslem Ministries there at the shortest possible time.

HINDUS WARNED

"But a note of warning must be sounded here to the Hindus to the effect that these very reasons which have persuaded the League to resign all seats on the Defence bodies and the Councils should prevent the Hindu Sanghatanist members who are working on them from indulging in any apish imitation of the policies of the League or the Congress in this respect. The Hindu members must stick to their positions on the Defence bodies and the Councils. The Indian National Defence and consequently the vital Hindu interests demand that instead of leaving those seats which are already occupied on these governmental bodies, the Hindu Sanghatanists should try to appropriate and secure as many new seats as they find within their reach and are calculated to enable them to capture as much political and military power as could possibly be done.—A. P.

WHY SIR M. SAADULLAH RESIGNS

SHILLONG, Aug. 27.

In a statement to the Associated Press, Premier Sir Md. Saadullah says:—

"I agreed to serve on the National Defence Council as I believed that my inclusion in that body was in my official capacity as the Premier of the Province of Assam. The new facts that emerged during the discussion in the League Working Committee's session in Bombay have surprised me. And if as circumstances indicate I have not been selected as Premier of Assam but as a Muslim to represent Muslim interest only, my position in the Council becomes indefensible for the obvious reason that so long as I am a Premier I have to represent the whole Province and different non-Muslim groups that support my Ministry and not any sectional interest in the Council, which has been constituted to coordinate and intensify efforts of India as a whole to defeat the brutal forces of Nazi Germany and her Axis partners. Assam was the only Province, which voted a lakh of rupees to the Home Treasury for expenses of the war and she has not slackened war effort in the least and will not lag behind other Porvinces in future.

Subject to an examination of the new material brought before the Muslim League Working Committee, I have decided to resign from the Council. But this does not mean that we will not strive to win the war against Germany for peace and prosperity of India and her people".—A. P.

Sabotaging Aid To Democracies

Roosevelt Deplores Spread Of False Rumours About Lease And Lend Policy

WASHINGTON, Aug. 27.

There is no doubt that a campaign has been organised to spread rumours, distortions, half-truths and falsehoods in efforts to sabotage the programme of aid for the opponents of Hitler, said President Roosevelt at a press conference on Tuesday, when asked to comment on the alleged misuse of Lease and Lend funds.

When the President asked for details of the allegations, he was informed by a reporter that it was said that the British had run up big bills at a Washington restaurant.

The President asserted that that certainly was never charged to Lease and Lend, adding the remark regarding the Sabotage campaign of which he declared that the instance mentioned by the reporter was probably a very good example.

The President explained he did not want it to be said that he was denying the allegations of misuse of the Lease-Lend funds because emphasis should be elsewhere—on what he called a campaign to spread vicious distortions and falsehoods.

The President said that the military mission to China would direct Lease and Lend activities to make aid to China as effective as possible in the "world effort in resistance to movements of conquest by force."

The formal Presidential statement said 'inter alia' "the function of the mission will be to study in collaboration with the Chinese and other authorities the military situation in China, its need for materials, to formulate recommendations regarding types and quantities of items needed, to assist their procurement in this country and delivery to China, to give advice and suggestions of appropriate character towards making Lend and Lease assistance to China as effective as possible in the interests of the United States, China and the world effort, etc.

Nazi Activities In Argentine

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 26.

The German Embassy is seemingly implicated in the reception of certain sums from public subscriptions in the Argentine intended for local benevolent and cultural purposes.

The Attorney-General has been asked to submit the question of procedure to be adopted with regard to the German Ambassador to the Supreme Court which alone can decide on trials of diplomatic personalities.

A Note from the Attorney-General to the Judge regrets that this action will delay investigation into charges against other Germans accused of anti-Argentine activities.—Reuter.

SYLHET.—The Abdul Majid Institute, founded to commemorate the memory of the late Mr. Abdul Majid, ex-Minister of Assam, will soon be converted into the Assam Muslim League Hall after the necessary extensions. For this a Committee has been formed.—A. P.

International Settlement Not To Be Blockaded

Japan Has No Plan To Occupy Foreign Areas In Shanghai

SHANGHAI, Aug. 27.

"Contrary to current rumours the Japanese have no intention of blockading the International Settlement or the French Concession, "declared Colonel Akiyama, the Japanese spokesman, at a press conference here on Tuesday.

Neither was there any truth in the reports that the Japanese intended to occupy the foreign areas of the city by force, he added. The barbed-wire barricades erected at traffic points were directed solely against Chinese terrorists. Some small lanes in various parts of the city had been closed to traffic, but all the main roads were still open.—Reuter.

ANTI-GERMAN RIOTS IN FRANCE AND BELGIUM

LISBON, August 27.

News of renewal of anti-German riots in both France and Belgium where military was called out to quell the disorders, reaches here from authoritative sources.

The trouble in France occurred mostly in munition factories, particularly to Saintetinne where workers demonstrated in protest not only against manufacture of arms, for the Germans, but also because of their personal antipathy towards Admiral Darlan and their hatred of the policy of collaboration with Germany.

In Belgium—inspired to fresh resistance by the example of the Burgomaster of Brussels—The Belgians are showing greater activity in sabotage, reducing factory output and in reminding Quislings "what is coming to them" on the day of reckoning.

Belgium is now almost without any means of transport, all railway trucks and lorries having gone either to Rumania or Italy.—Reuter.

ACTION AGAINST NAZI AIRLINE

BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 26.

Official action is expected against the German Condor Airline, which is alleged to have violated the regulations prohibiting transport of passengers from Argentine without the consent of the police, when a plane bound for Rio de Janeiro at the last moment this morning embarked Godfredo Saudstede, who was fleeing from a summons to appear before the anti-Nazi Investigating Committee.

Saudstede, who is an employee of the local agents of the Hamburg-South America line, had earlier declined to appear before the Committee on the ground that he is attached to the German Embassy, but the legal advisers of the Foreign Ministry declared that his salaried position with the shipping company vitiated his claim.

Saudstede was Hitler's confidante and Nazi mystery man in South America. He is alleged to be the link for all Nazi organisations in South America, possessing greater powers than the Ambassador with whom it is reported, he quarrelled violently before leaving, accusing the Ambassador von Thermann of weakness, negligence and responsibility for the persecution of Nazis in Argentina.—Reuter.

New Zealand To Co-operate With U. S.

WASHINGTON, August 26.

The New Zealand Prime Minister, Mr. Frazer, accompanied by Mr. Frank Langstone New Zealand Minister of Lands who had been in the United States several months negotiating Defence supplies called today on Mr. Cordell Hull, the United States Secretary of State.

Mr. Frazer told newspapermen that New Zealand was willing to co-operate in any defence arrangement with the United States including the mutual use of any bases. "We do not want war with Japan," he said adding however that New Zealand fully endorsed Mr. Churchill's statement that the Empire would range itself with the United States in the event of a clash.—Reuter.

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